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PROTEST ON GROUNDS OF HUMANITY MADE IN BEHALF OF BELGIANS

American Note to Germany Concerning Deportations Read to German Chancellor

ANY COMMENT IS WITHHELD

State Department Merely Announces That 'Charge Grew Carried Out Instructions

TEXT OF NOTE PUBLISHED

So Far as Learned, Germany Has Not Made Any Reply

Washington, Dec. 8—The American government's formal protest to Germany against the deportation of Belgians for forced labor, as a violation of the principles of humanity, was made public today by the State Department. It was in the form of a note cabled to 'Charge Grew, at Berlin, with instructions that he seek an interview with the German chancellor and read it to him, and was given out by the department with the terse comment: "The interview has taken place."

Officials Make no Comment.

Officials refused to add to this statement and so far as could be learned tonight there has been no reply from Germany. All information available, however, indicates that the deportations are continuing and it is known that through earlier informal representations 'Charge Grew learned that the opinion of the German people was that the policy was a military necessity and not in violation of international law.

The American note was put on the cable November 27, the night of the day Ambassador Gerard saw President Wilson, preparatory to his return to Berlin, and the night the Associated Press announced that the United States had made further representations on the broad grounds of humanity.

The note, with the department's statement making it public, follows:

Text of Note.

"On November 29, Mr. Grew, our 'Charge at Berlin, was directed to obtain an interview with the German chancellor and read to him the following:

"The government of the United States has learned with the greatest concern and regret of the policy of the German government to deport from Belgium a portion of the civilian population for the purpose of forcing them to labor in Germany and is constrained to protest in a friendly spirit but most solemnly against this action, which is a contravention of all precedents and of those humane principles of international practice which have long been accepted and followed by civilized nations in their treatment of non-combatants.

"Furthermore, the government of the United States is convinced that the effect of this policy, if pursued, will in all probability be fatal to the Belgian relief work, so humanely planned and so successfully carried out, a result which would be greatly deplored and which, it is assumed, would seriously embarrass the German government.'

"The interview has taken place."

Diplomatic Procedure Exhausted.

With the failure of America's efforts as well as those of Spain and Holland and the Vatican, the only action which officials here apparently believe this government can take, is the full publication of the facts in its possession. Admittedly, diplomatic procedure has been exhausted. The United States does not represent Belgium at Berlin and is declared by officials to have gone even beyond the convention diplomatic rights in the matter.

The Belgian deportations assumed seriousness last August when the State Department reports indicated their wholesale extent. 'Charge Grew on October 26 was instructed to take the matter up personally with Chancellor von Bethmann Hollweg, and to say what an unfortunate effect the continuation of deportations would have on neutral opinions.

'Charge Grew reported that the chancellor had heard his presentation of the case, but had offered neither explanation nor promise. Thereupon a series of conferences followed in Washington between President Wilson, Secretary Lansing, Ambassador Gerard and Colonel House, with the result that the formal protest was dispatched.

BELGIAN LAW-MAKERS SEND PROTEST TO VON BISSING

Havre, France, Dec. 8.—Twenty Belgian senators and 23 Belgian deputies, living in Brussels, have taken the personal risk of sending a signed protest to General von Bissing, German governor of Belgium, against the deportations of Belgian workmen. The senators and deputies at the same time sent copies of their protest to Brand Whitlock, American minister to Belgium, and to the diplomatic representatives of other countries.

"On many occasions during modern

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MIDDLE WEST TO GET ARMOR PLANT

This Seems Virtually Certain Following Board's Report on the Proposed Sites

NO CITY YET RECOMMENDED

Location of Plant Will be Made With Regard to Military Advantages. Another Board May be Named to Select the Site.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The $11,000,000 government armor plant is virtually certain to be located at some point in the Middle Western area, it was learned here today. Some point having good connection with the mineral supply sources and transportation facilities to coast points, but sufficiently remote to remove danger of destruction by any hostile invading force, probably will be selected.

The special naval board appointed by Secretary Daniels to consider military aspects of proposed sites has submitted a report on which final choice of a site will be based. It summarizes the arguments of more than 125 cities seeking the award, and without attempting actually to designate a site, presents the board's judgment of localities where the best protection of the factory would be afforded in time of war.

Although the report has not been made public it was learned today that there is little, if any, possibility that the plant will be located in any of the coastal states or in close proximity of the Canadian border.

The board is understood to have followed closely the advice laid down by Congress concerning the location of the plant as a military problem, by eliminating from the field of possible selection all frontier states, particularly those of the North Atlantic held by army strategists to comprise the most exposed areas.

Secretary Daniels, who is studying the report, probably will name another board to inspect localities favorably mentioned and await its report before making a choice.

ONE YEAR RESIDENCE RULE FOR COLLEGE PLAYERS FAILS

Is Voted Down by Southern Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 8.—By a vote of 17 to 6, the Southern Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association refused to adopt the one-year residence rule for college players at its annual convention here tonight. A substitute motion requiring all first year men participating in inter-collegiate contests to have at least 14 so-called Carnegie entrance units was voted down also.

The association adopted a resolution instructing the president, B. M. Walker, of Mississippi A. & M., to appoint a committee of 28 members for the purpose of classifying all instructions in S. I. A. A. territory. This committee, of which Dean Walter Hullihen, of the University of the South is chairman, will report at the next annual convention.

Carlisle Indian school and the Haskell school were classified as colleges by the association.

NAVAL BASES SOUTH OF HATTERAS NEEDED

Rear Admirals Fiske and Edwards Point Out the Dangers

Urge Establishment of an Adequate Station at Charleston and One in the Gulf—Prof. Cathcart Discusses Deficiencies.

New York, Dec. 8.—The lack of adequate naval stations south of Hatteras as a weakness in the naval establishment of the United States, which it was declared "gives our strategists just cause for concern," was discussed here today by Rear Admirals Bradley A. Fiske and John R. Edwards, both retired, before the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

They spoke after the reading of a paper by Prof. W. L. Cathcart, a naval consulting engineer, of Philadelphia, dealing with the deficiencies of the land end of the country's naval affairs. Admiral Edwards declared that if there were no other way to get money to build up the shore stations he "would cut out one capital ship from the appropriations."

"South of Hatteras there is not a place along the coast where a battleship could go for repairs," said Admiral Edwards. "We need a base at Charleston, S. C., and one in the Gulf to protect the Panama canal. A base at

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BAPTISTS VOTE TO MAKE STATE DRIER

State Convention Recommends Most Drastic Legislation on the Liquor Question

MEMORIAL SERVICE HELD

Convention Adjourns at Noon After Considering Temperance, Orphanage and Other "Social Service" Work. "Simple Plan" a Success.

(By Rev. W. M. Gilmore).

Elizabeth City, N. C., Dec. 8.—The Baptist State Convention, which has been in session here since Tuesday, came to a conclusion at noon today with a tender memorial service conducted by Dr. T. J. Taylor. Fitting tributes were made to the memory of Maj. H. F. Schenck, Rev. J. W. Watson, Dr. R. P. Thomas, J. W. Mitchell, Rev. Chas. F. Hopper, Mrs. Martha Vann Holloman and Mrs. Carey J. Hunter.

Social service, which includes the work of the Thomasville Orphanage, Ministers' Relief Board and Temperance, was the department of the convention work considered today.

The report on temperance, which was read by Dr. Livingston Johnson, and the memorial to the next General Assembly, introduced by Rev. R. L. Gay, both of which were adopted by the convention, recommended the most drastic legislation on the liquor question. If the approaching Legislature should act in accord with these recommendations, North Carolina would be as dry as the Sahara desert, or as Billy Sunday says Michigan is, where "a man now has to be primed before he can spit."

Ministers' Relief Work.

The report of the Ministers' Relief Board made by Corresponding Secretary J. M. Arnett, Mebane, shows an increase of contributions, and a strong sentiment was manifested that this department of the convention's work should be enlarged.

General Manager M. L. Kesler, of Thomasville, presented the work of the orphanage, showing that this institution is now taking care of 500 children at an annual cost of about $35,000.

The work of the publicity committee of the Orphanage Association of this State, of which M. L. Shipman is chairman, insisting on the people of North Carolina giving the value of a day's work as a Thanksgiving offering to the orphans, has born rich fruit.

Dr. Livingston Johnson delivered a stirring speech on "The Duty of the State to the Child."

For Delinquent Girls

The convention went on record as favoring a State board of public welfare and gave its hearty approval to the movement to establish a home for unfortunate girls and women.

The committee consisting of Walter M. Gilmore, Walter N. Johnson and J. Clyde Turner, appointed by President J. A. Oates to arrange the programme of the next convention, to be held in Durham, was instructed to secure Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, of the Louisville Seminary, or some other capable man, to deliver a series of addresses in connection with the convention.

The addresses of President Mullins this year proved to be a most valuable feature.

This session was the first time the convention has been operated in accordance with the "simple plan" which is the grouping of the various departments of the convention's work. It has proven wonderfully successful.

While there was little room for "spread eagle" oratory, the business of the convention was transacted with dispatch.

Preliminary to taking up the morning's topic, the convention directed President Oates to appoint a press committee to use such means as might

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RAILWAY LEGISLATION LIKELY TO BE DELAYED

Labor to Offer Substitute for Compulsory Arbitration

Determined Efforts Being Made Against Proposal—President Determined to Avoid Such Situation As Faced in September

Washington, Dec. 8.—Congressional action on President Wilson's railway legislative program probably will await the result of determined efforts of labor leaders to draft a substitute for all forms of compulsory arbitration which will be agreeable to the employees, employers and the administration.

The determination of the President to undertake making impossible by law such a situation as he faced last September in the railroad dispute has aroused labor to great activity. The unofficial alliance between the American Federation of Labor and the four railway Brotherhoods arranged recently at Baltimore is bearing its first fruit in conferences between representatives of both organizations to draft a plan that will shelve all compulsory arbitration bills. Congressional leaders are inclined to go slowly on the president's program pending announcement of labor's proposals, provided they are

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STRANGE SHIP IS BELIEVED TO BE A GERMAN RAIDER

Allied Shipping in the North Atlantic is Warned by British Naval Authorities

VESSEL ALLOWED TO PASS

Was Permitted to Proceed as Dutch Steamer After Being Intercepted Off Scotland

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 8.—Entente allied shipping was warned by British naval authorities tonight to be on the lookout for a strange vessel, believed to be a raider, which was intercepted on December 2 off the northwestern coast of Scotland, and allowed to proceed under the impression that she was the Dutch steamer Gamma. Later it was learned that the Gamma was at Kirkwall on that date and did not leave until December 3.

The identity of the supposed raider has not been determined. Admiralty officials apparently suspect that, if she is a hostile craft, she may carry mines for dropping off this port, the center of British naval activity off this continent and the point of departure for Canadian troop ships. The vessel could reach here from the position where she was last reported by tomorrow or Sunday. The text of the warning follows:

"A vessel was intercepted at 3 a. m. December 2 in latitude 59.36, No; longitude 12.42 W., and was allowed to proceed under the impression that she was a vessel named Gamma. Latter was at Kirkwall at the time, clearing 11 a. m. December 3.

"Identity of former not yet established, but description is as follows:

"About 1,200 tons, black hull with red bottom, white upper works, one funnel. Thought to be plain black, no Dutch flag on bow. She was apparently in ballast, steering a course about west-southwest. Vessel may be raider".

RECORDS SHOW THERE IS GERMAN SHIP NAMED GAMMA

New York, Dec. 8.—Maritime records show that there is a German steamer called the Gamma which is of almost the same tonnage as her Dutch namesake. The Teuton craft has been in the German coastwise service. Her

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NO DOUBT THAT THERE WAS 'CORNER' IN COAL

Punishment for the Price Manipulators Being Studied

Programme Providing for Grand Jury Investigations Throughout Country Will be Laid Before President Today.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Officials conducting the government's inquiry into the high cost of living virtually completed tonight a programme to place tomorrow before President Wilson and Attorney General Gregory, providing for simultaneous grand jury investigations throughout the country. Details as to the number and locations of the proposed inquiries were not disclosed. It was said that doubt no longer existed as to whether there had been combinations to boost coal prices and that effective means to punish those who have violated the law in contributing to the rises were being studied.

President Wilson and the cabinet discussed the situation today and, it is understood, decided to await further disclosures before reaching a conclusion as to recommendations to be made by the President to Congress.

In Congress, the House Commerce committee decided to defer action on measures bearing on the subject until after the holidays.

United States Attorney Anderson, of Boston, conducting the investigation, established headquarters at the Department of Justice, called at the White House for several hours with Interstate Commerce Commission officials, spent some time with Oliver E. Pagan, the department's expert on drawing indictments,and dispatched fresh instructions to the field force of investigators throughout the country.

Indications are that the Department of Justice wil concentrate on inquiring into the operations of coal dealers and minor railroad employes in the Middle West to determine whether cars were deliberately drawn from normal channels to aid in increasing prices.

Interstate Commerce Commission statistics are understood to show that at the height of the rise in coal prices at a time when there was an apparent shortage in the supply hundreds of loaded cars stood untouched in railroad yards in the Middle West. Some cars, investigation is said to have disclosed, have been held loaded from four to six weeks and one case has been reported where a car has been held loaded 106 days.

METHODISTS VOTE FOR A DRY NATION

Ask Legislature to Make Prohibition More Stringent and Put Ban on Patent Medicines

MEET NEXT IN GREENVILLE

Bishop Arraigns Preacher Who Grumbles About Appointment—Committee to Solve Advocate Problem. Preachers Advanced.

(Special Star Telegram).

Durham, N. C., Dec. 8.—The North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, adopted a resolution here today memorializing Congress for Nation-wide prohibition and to enact a law prohibitive of sales in Washington City and to stop the mails from distributing liquor advertisements.

The next General Assembly of North Carolina was petitioned to prohibit the sale of hard cider and winer and curtail the sales of proprietary medicines which are are productive of drunkenness. Numerous bitters, also extracts of lemon and vanilla and Jamaica ginger were included in this list.

The 1917 session of the conference will meet with Jarvis Memorial church of Greenville. J. M. Daniel, the Greenville pastor, extended the invitation, which was seconded by L. L. Nash, of Hamlet. This town was the unanimous choice. D. H. Tuttle, of Burlington, spoke briefly of the great character whose name Jarvis Memorial church bears.

Temperance Resolution.

The resolution submitted by the temperance forces were emphatical in its claims and forceful against its foes. One paragraph reads:

"The temperance forces of the Nation are united. All the organizations have declared for and are now working for National constitutional prohibition and a measure to submit this matter to the states is pending at Washington. During this Congress the Anti-Saloon League of America and other temperance organizations will press for its passage. They will also work for a law to prohibit the sale of liquor in the City of Washington and to prohibit the mails from carrying liquor advertising matter. Your committee recommends that the conference memorialize Congress for the passage of such legislation and we instruct the secretary to sign the proper memorials and hand them to Superintendent Davis to be sent to the Senate and House of Representatives."

Bryan Invited to Speak.

The next biennial convention of the Anti-Saloon League will meet in Raleigh about the middle of January, 1917, and Secretary R. L. Davis announced to the conference that William Jennings Bryan had been invited to speak. A committee will wait upon him.

Bishop John C. Kilgo opened devotional services this morning with a severe arraignment of the preacher who grumbled about his appointment because he thought he was too big for the job. He characterized the few such preachers in the North Carolina Conference as guilty of trying to parade their brazen infidelity and trying to glorify themselves. There is not a charge in the conference too little. Preachers should represent Christ anywhere. He likened the humble pastor to Paul, who embodied self abnegation, willing to humble himself with his fellowmen, but he said some of the modern preachers had not been able to master this material prosperity, all of which blinds our eyes. Consciously or unconsciously we come to be men who set aside God's standards for these world standards.

Want "Greatness."

Bishop Kilgo said the particular type

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EUROPEAN WAR DUE TO THE CENSORED PRESS

Opinion of Dean Walter Williams, Speaking to Editors

At Newspaper Institute Talcott Williams Declares American Press Must Lead Public Opinion—More Than 100 Editors Attend

(Special Star Telegram)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 8.—More than a hundred Carolina editors attended the sessions of the Newspaper Institute here today. The speeches of Deans Talcott Williams and Walter Williams tonight on the newspapers, relation to democracy and the nation at large came as a fitting climax. Talcott Williams declared:

"It is the American press and most of all the rural American press which must create, educate and lead American public opinion through the steps which will give an adequate reason for preparedness, not merely in National defense but in the wider work of safeguarding the world."

Dean Walter Williams showed the great influence for good press could be in a democracy, not merely through editorials, but the news columns. He attributed the present European war to the censored dispatches which held back news and invented stories instead. The handling of State news corres-

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RUSSO-RUMANIANS SO FAR SHOW NO LET-UP IN RETIREMENT EAST

16-INCH GUNS FOR NEW SHIPS URGED

Enormous Increase in Size and Power of Battleships Recommended for 1918 Program

SLIGHT INCREASE IN SPEED

Universal Service in Both Army and Navy Discussed by Witnesses Before Two House Committees Yesterday.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Preliminary work on the 1918 National defense programme moved forward again today in the Naval and Military committees of the House, with Rear Admirals Badger and Fletcher, of the Navy's general board, before the former and Quartermaster General Sharp before the latter.

The two admirals recommended an enormous increase in the size and powed and a slight increase in speed for the battleships to be provided at this session of Congress.

Because of the tendency of the European navies to build even larger ships and guns and because it is believed Japan already is building a more powerful ship than has yet been planned for the United States, Admiral Badger said the board had recommended main batteries of twelve 16-inch guns, an increase of 60 per cent. in gun power over 1917 ships, and a speed of 23 knots an hour.

A statement issued today by Secretary Daniels indicates that the recommendations of the board will be approved by the department. The new dreadnaughts will displace probably more than 40,000 tons as against the 32,000 for the Pennsylvania class and succeeding ships.

"Our new ships will embody the general characteristics of armament the general board recommends," the Secretary's statement said, after explaining that only the question of limited facilities led the Secretary to alter the board's recommendations as to the number of ships to be laid in 1917.

"I agree thoroughly with the general board," it added, "that we should build this year as great a part of our programme as possible and I think my recommendations have reached the limit of that possibility if, indeed, I have not exceeded somewhat the practical capacity of our shipyards."

The board recommended the construction of four battleships and two battle cruisers, while the Secretary held that three battleships and one battle cruiser was all that could be undertaken in view of the tremendous programme contracted for this year.

General Sharpe told the military committee that the Army stil is far behind in recruiting for the 1917 increment of the authorized increase. His statement was line with that of Major General Scott, chief of staff, in his annual report, made public today. General Scott declared that universal military training and service would be the only solution to the recruiting problem.

Universal service also came up at the Naval committee hearing Admiral Badger saying that this was the "one grand answer to all problems of obtaining crews for Navy ships."

COTTON DROPS OVER FIVE DOLLARS A BALE

Break Caused by Heavy Liquidation and Short Selling

New Orleans Market Experiences One of the Widest Declines Ever Recorded in Any One Session of the Exchange.

New Orleans, Dec. 8.—The most violent fluctuations of the season and one of the widest declines ever recorded in any session of the local market carried the price of cotton at one period today 103 to 113 points, or $5 to $5.50 a bale below the level of yesterday's close. Heavy liquidation of long contracts and terrific hammering by short sellers caused the break, which followed the larger Census Bureau returns on ginning to December 1 than expected and a rumor that Greece nad declared war on England.

The early market was active and business reached enormous proportions by noon when brokers were unable to keep abreast of the selling orders wired in from all directions. This was the climax of the selling wave, for in the afternoon shorts bought liberal covers to realize their profits, and this demand gave the market a steadier tone causing a partial recovery. The close was at a loss for the day of 76 to 92 points.

Seemingly Little Resistance is Being Offered to Forces of the Central Powers

MAY HALT AT BUZEU RIVER

Troops of Von Mackensen Have Captured 18,000 Prisoners and Twenty-Six Guns

RUSSIAN DRIVE A FAILURE?

Claims of Success in the Verdun Region Conflict

Pursuit of the retiring Russians and Rumanian forces in eastern Wallachia by Field Marshal von Mackensen continues, but how far the Teutonic advance has progressed is not made clear in the latest official communication. Berlin chronicles the continuation of the advance along the whole front and Petrograd says the Russians and Rumanians haye been retiring since the evacuation of the Rumanian capital.

Apparently Little Resistance.

Seemingly the retiring defenders of Rumanian soil are offering little resistance and are endeavoring to reach the line of the Buzeu river before the Austro-Germans can break through the Moldavian frontier, and get in their rear of Belgarians or Germans can cross the Danube around Tchnavoda and outflank them. However, there has been little activity either on the Transylvania-Moldavian frontier or in Dobrudja. The Germans have repulsed a Russian attack in the Trotus valley and the Russians report the checking of an offensive movement in the Oiteus valley. Petrograd says all has been calm in Dobrudja and along the Danube.

18,000 Prisoners Captured

In the rounding up of the forces cut off by their advance on Bucharest, the troops of Von Mackensen have captured 18,000 prisoners and 26 guns. The Rumanian troops isolated in western Wallachia, numbering 8,000, have been taken as well as 10,000 of the forces operating around Predeal and Altichans passes.

Undeterred apparently by the checking of their offensive in the Carpathians, the Russians have again taken the initiative there, Petrograd states. The present Russian attempt is taking place south of Jarovnik. Berlin says the Russian offensive in the Carpathians can be said to be a failure and declares only local attacks have occurred in that region. The repulse of a Russian attack on the Dvina front below Riga is also recorded by Berlin.

Fighting in Verdun Region.

Hill 304 in the Verdun region and the forest of Apremont, southeast of St. Michel, have been the scenes of the only reported activity on the western front. Paris claims the Germans were ejected from a section of the trenches on Hill 304 but Berlin asserts the troops of the crown prince repulsed French attempts to retake the trenches. The Germans, Paris records, succeeded in gaining a footing in French trenches in the forest of Apremont, but later were ejected by a counter attack.

Heavy fighting around Struvina, east of Monastir on the Macedonian front, is recorded by Paris, which says the Serbians checked three attacks by Germans and Bulgarian troops. Serbian attacks near Trentino west of Monastir, were repulsed, Berlin states.

Snow in the Trentino region and rain on the Carso is hampering infantry action of the Austro-Italian front.

HALLOW'S CONDITION BETTER

His Assailant Adjudged Deranged—Tony Davis's Injuries Fatal

(Special Star Telegram)

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 8.—The condition of Joe Hallow, at the Goldsboro hospital, so seriously wounded yesterday afternoon by Charley Farfour, was very much more hopeful today, although the ball is still somewhere in his neck and his physicians have deemed it not prudent to probe for it at this stage of his condition. It is quite determined that his assailant was suffering from mental derangement.

Tony Davis, colored, died at a local hospital last night following accidental injuries he received Thursday at an oil tank near A. C. L. depot, when an oil car passed over the middle of his body.

CHOSEN VICE PRESIDENT.

Josephus Daniels, Jr., Honored by Young Men's Democratic League.

New York, Dec. 8.—Josephus Daniels, Jr., of Raleigh, N. C., was elected a vice president of the National Young Men's Democratic League at its annual meeting here tonight. Frank D. Shelley, of New York, was elected president, and William F. McCombs was made chairman of the advisory committee.

Letters from President Wilson and Mr. McCormick, thanking the organization for its campaign work, were read at the meeting.

IN THE REALM OF SPORTS

GOOD GAMES LAST NIGHT

Tigers Win From Americans and Athletics Wallop Red Sox in the Y. M. C. A. Basketball League

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Tigers	4	2	.667
Athletics	4	2	.667
Americans	4	3	.571
Red Sox	1	6	.143

The Americans were tumbled from the top of the "Y" League last night when they succumbed to the Tigers 34 to 24 in an exciting match on the Y. M. C. A. court. The Athletics tied for the lead with the Tigers in the second game when they won from the Red Sox 24 to 15. Both games were featured by brilliant rallies by both of the winning teams in the second half.

Mainly through the sensational shooting of Hardee, the Americans got away with a flying start in the opening period. Hardee smashed previous records for goals in one half, when he succeeded in slipping the sphere through the baskets five times in this period. In the second he made three goals and established the highwater mark for the season. Rennie, too, showed up well and was the individual star for the winners. The Tigers displayed good teamwork.

The Athletics pulled the come back stunt in their contest with the oft defeated Red Stockings, and allowed their opponents but one foul goal in the second session. N. Davis was the shining light of this melee.

Tigers (34)		Americans (24)
C.W.Davis	F	Little
Huband	F	Hanson
Rhodes	C	Hardee
Stein	G	Gallagher
Rennie	G	Solomon

Substitions—LeGwin for Huband, Myers for Little; Tiger scoring, goals, Davis 2, Huband 1, Rhodes 4, Stein 2, Rennie 4, LeGwin 3; fouls, Rennie 2. American scoring—goals, Hanson 1, Hardee 8, Gallagher 2, Myers 1. Referee, Mr. Keller.

Red Sox (15)		Athletics (24)
Farmer	F	N.Davis
Ruark	F	Lipinsky
Rich	C	Gerdes
K.Davis	G	Lewis
Cameron	G	Bagley

Substitutions—Kelly for Cameron, McManus for Bagley. Red Sox scoring, goals, Farmer 2, Ruark 1, Rich 3, Davis 1; fouls, Rich 1. Athletic scoring—goals, Davis 2; Lipinsky, 2, Gerdes 5, Referee, Mr. Keller.

INTER-LEAGUE SERIES IS NOW PRACTICALLY ASSURED

Between the American Association and International League

Indianapolis, Dec. 8.—After the election of Thomas J. Hickey, of Minneapolis, to succeed President Thomas M Chivington, of Chicago, the American Association took action at the annual meeting here today which practically assures a series of inter-league games with the International League. The question of a third major league, as proposed, to consist of four American Association and four International League Clubs was discussed informally. President Hickey announced, but added that the magnates did not take the proposed league seriously.

Louisville was chosen as headquarters of the league for the coming year.

President Barrows, of the International League, in a telegram approved the plan for an inter-league series and invited the American Association Club owners to attend the International League meeting in New York next Monday. President Hickey wired Mr Barrows that a committee would attend, with power to act.

FIFTY-ONE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS FINED

Cincinnati, Dec. 8.—Fifty-one major league baseball players were fined from $25 to $100 by the National Baseball Commission today for taking part in exhibition games after the close of the 1916 season. Fines of thirty-eight of the players were suspended.

Those who must pay are: Henricksen, Panvrin, Shorten, Hoblitzell, Lewis, McNally, Scott, Cady, Ruth and Barry, of the Boston Americans; Cobb and Young, of Detroit, and Davis, of the Philadelphia Americans. Cobb was fined $50 and the others $100 each. The fines came as a result of a game played at New Haven, Conn., in violation of the rule against members of the world's champions playing games after the season's close. Cobb played on the New Haven team.

Fines were suspended on the following players:

Rixey, Bender and Alexander, Philadelphia Nationals; Bush, Schang, Meyers and Strunk, Philadelphia Americans; Bush, DuBuc, Burns, Young, Stanage, Bonald and Dauss, Detroit; Baumgan, Love, Alevander, Maisel, Baker, Peckinpaugh, Shawkey, Mullen, Gilhooley and Nunamaker, New York Americans; Chapman, Speaker and Gandil, Cleveland; Johnson, Washington; Carey, Pittsburg; Collins and Danforth, Chicago Americans; Plank and Koob, St. Louis Amerans; Chase, Cincinnati.

PRESIDENT CAN NOT ATTEND THE COMMERCIAL CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Wilson today declined an invitation extended him by a delegation of Virginians to attend the convention of the Southern Commercial Congress at Norfolk next Monday. He told the delegation that it would be absolutely impossible for him to accept.

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be necessary to insure full reports of its proceedings in the daily and weekly newspapers of the State.

Following the report on the Orphanage, Superintendent Kesler was directed to provide for two swimming pools, one for the boys and one for the girls, at that institution.

This institution, said Dr. Livingston Johnson, is training children in the best sense for body, mind and spirit.

OLSEN EASY FOR DRAAK

Interesting Wrestling Match Between Heavyweights at Woolvin Hall Last Evening

Tom Draak won a comparatively easy victory over Charles Olsen at Woolvin Hall last night when the Dane forfeited two successive falls under the punishment of his opponent's arm locks The first fall went for 34 minutes and the second wound up in ten and three quarter minutes. The match was witnessed by the largest crowd of the present season.

This was the first time a pair of heavyweight wrestlers have appeared on a local mat, at least in recent years, and to the fans the struggles of the big fellows was something of a novelty. And it must be admitted that Draak and Olesen put up an interesting match, though the Dane was outpointed in almost every stage of the game. Draak appeared to be fully as fast as Olsen—and for heavyweights both men were remarkablely fast—considerably the stronger and far wiser in the intricate points of the wrestling game, both offensive and defensive.

Some of the arm locks in which he specializes have in them much of the subtle punishing qualities of jiu jitsu tactics, and with his enormous strength and weight to back these dangerous holds up, he would be a formidable opponent for a far abler man than Olsen.

Draak kept his opponent on the defensive practically throughout the match last night, and it was seldom that Olsen ever succeeded in reversing this order of things. And when he did it was only for a moment, for Draak outmatched him in defensive work as well as offensive. The first fall came at the end of 34 minutes when Olsen gave up under the punishment of an arm lock that for a moment threatened to dislocate his shoulder. When he came back at the beginning of the second fall he appeared to be nursing his arm, and he was reluctant to use it. Thus handicapped, he lasted only 10 3-4 minutes, anotner wrist and arm lock forcing him to forfeit the fall and match.

Draak made a most favorable impression on the local fans. He wrestles clean, works hard and appears to be a good sportsman. In a little talk at the end of the match, he stated that he would be pleased to meet either Dr. Roller, Joe Stecher or Strangler Ed Lewis on the local mat if the promoter here could arrange it.

EUROPEAN WAR DUE TO THE CENSORED PDESS

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pondence, telegraph news, and make up problems consumed attention in the afternoon. Speakers were O. J. Coffin, Raleigh Times; Roger Steffan, Durham Sun, and T. J. Lassiter, Smithfield Herald. Lively discussions followed, especially concerning newspaper ethics and advertising features.

Practical Subject Discussed

At the morning session Mrs. Al. Fairbrother discussed "The Woman's Side of the Newspaper" in witty vein.

"The Effective Editoral" was treated by James H. Caine of the Asheville Citizen, Mr. Santford Martin reading his paper, J. L. Horne, of Rocky Mount discussed problems of the small daily, while President Graham told of the University relationship to the editors.

Special messages had been received from Arthur Brisbane, Albert Shaw, Frank H. Simonds, Governor Craig and Josephus Daniels.

Planning for Next Year

The sessions have aroused much interest and plans are already under way for a similar institute next year.

The Press Institute News, published daily with telegraph news and news of the meeting and edited by students in journalism here, has been a big feature of the meeting.

Don Seitz is chief speaker at the session tomorrow.

The newspaper institute opened its sessions here yesterday afternoon with about 50 editors present and more coming on every train. President E. E. Britton is presiding at the session. He stated the purposes of the institute at the opening meeting. The general topic for discussion was "The newspaper and community development."

Papers were read by W. R. Dixon, of Wilson, Clyde Davis of Aberdeen, and R. H. Thornton of Chapel Hill. Almost every large daily and many of the weeklies are represented here. The Press Institute News, carrying leased wire dispatches and stories of the meeting, made a big hit with its first number last night.

NAVA LBASES SOUTH OF HATTERAS NEEDED

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Charleston would make an enemy extend his line of operations 500 or 600 miles which would take a dozen more capital battleships."

Rear Admiral Fiske said that "the American people do not realize their danger any more than does a baby on a railroad track."

Professor Cathcart said that several of the American naval stations in their defenseless state could be seized with east if the American fleet were defeated. As to the stations on this coast, he said, "they all lie within an air line of 500 miles, although our Atlantic and Gulf coast lines are more than 8,000 miles long. If an enemy should gain possession of these 500 miles of coast our dreadnaughts would be homeless unless they could flee to the bay of Panama."

METHODISTS VOTE FOR A DRY NATION

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of preacher which he described wanted what the world called greatness. They do not thirst to drink out of the cup that Christ drank out of.

After twenty centuries they have come to the point where they dare look him in the face and say, "I have been discounted."

He accused this type of preacher of gambling with the itinerary and exhorted that no charge ought to be too little for them. The plainest, poorest and humblest saint in the mountains belongs to God's flock.

C. L. Read, presiding elder of the Washington district, introduced a motion for the reconsideration of the resolution adopted yesterday favoring a unification of the two wings of the Methodist church. He thought the act ill advised but his motion was tabled. Upon reconsideration at noon it was ordered tabled for an indefinite time.

The financial embarrassment about to be visited upon the Raleigh Christian Advocate was a subject for prolonged discussion and only ended when President W. P. Few, of Trinity College, moved the appointment of seven to determine means of raising the fund of $2,000 needed. This committee is: W. P. Few, J. M. Daniel, M. Bradshaw, L. S. Massey, M. T. Plyler, J. F. Bruton and Joseph G. Brown. The resolution proposing to appropriate $400 from each of the four boards of the conference was practically defeated. Editor L. S. Massey told the conference that unless substantial aid was voted they might as well dissolve the company. He said it could not be run as a business proposition.

The traveling preachers elected deacons were: H. I. Glass, Harry Bell Hill, Ethel Bert Hill, A. Swindell Parker, Richard Floyd Munns, William Graham Lowe, John Armstrong Russel, Lauder Beacom Pattishall, William Jordan Covington and Marvin Bascome Cox.

Deacons elected for one year: Hubbard Braxton Porter, Ernest Creasey Durham, William Albert Cade, William Floyd Trafwick, Daniel Lane, Jr., James Herbert Miller, James Allen Morris.

Admitted on trial; C. O. Armstrong, of the Free Will Baptist church, and Jacob Emmanuel Beauregard Hauser, of Rocky Mount.

Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College for Women, made a brief speech in which he described the work of the institution. The college sends a missionary to China this fall.

Dr. F. N. Parker, Prof. W. H. Pegram, of Trinity College; Dr. E. R. Leyburn, pastor of Durham Presbyterian church, and Dr. T. C. Tucker, of Brazil, were introduced to the conference.

Dr. Tucker Speaks.

The afternoon address was made by Dr. Tucker. He described the distribution of the Bible in the Brazil territory once known as the land without a Bible. The Good Book has stimulated education and through its influence eight churches have been established. Dr. Tucker indicated the scope of the Bible in his morning remarks. The American Bible Society has printed one hundred and seventeen and one-half million copies in 115 different languages. He said despite the higher critics of the Bible, the sales had shown a remarkable increase in recent years.

Bishop Kilgo will preach the memorial service on Sunday afternoon at 3:30. One member of the conference has died, J. Y. Old, of Elizabeth City. The late Bishop Wilson will be memorialized in the services.

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of

Men's and Boys' Clothing, Ladies' Coats, Suits, Dresses and Millinery. Begins Saturday, December 9th, at 8:30 A. M.

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Men's $17.50 Heavy weight Worsted Suits, hand tailored at $15.95
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Men's long black Thibet Overcoats, $8.50 value $5.95
Men's $10.00 long Oxford Overcoats, all sizes at $6.95
Men's $12.50 Balmacaan Overcoats, all the new styles at $9.95
Young Men's $15.00 Balmacaan Overcoats at $11.50
Men's High Grade Overcoats, dressy models at .....$16.95 to $18.50

SUITS AND COATS BOTH TAKE A DROP

Ladies' $10.00 Serge Coat Suits, Velour trimmed at $6.95
Ladies $15.00 all Wool Poplin Suits, fur trimmed at $9.95
Ladies $20.00 Poplin and Gabardine Suits, Satin lined...$13.75
Ladies' $25.00 Broadcloth, Gabardine and Poplin Suits, Satin lined, plain or Velvet trimmed at $16.95
$27.50 Broadcloth and Velour Suits, all the latest models..$18.50
Ladies' $35.00 Broadcloth and Velvet Suits, all the latest models at $23.50
Ladies' $45.00 Broadcloth and Velour Suits, all the latest models at $29.95
Ladies' $55.00 Broadcloth and Velour Suits, all the latest models at $35.00
Ladies' $6.00 and $6.50 Long Coats, plain and mixed colors at $4.98
Ladies' $10.00 Fancy plain Coats all the new wide models at..$8.95

Ladies' $12.50 Coats, all colors and sizes at $10.50
Ladies' $15.00 Coats, all colors and sizes at $12.50
Ladies' $20.00 Coats, all colors and sizes at $16.95
Ladies' $25.00 Coats, all colors and sizes at $21.50

Boys' Suits and Coats

Boys' half Wool Worsted Suits, sizes 6 to 15 years at $1.68
Boys' $2.50 half wool Cassimere Suits, 6 to 16 years at $1.98
Boys' $3.50 Cassimere Norfolk Suits, 8 to 17 years at $2.95
Boys' $5.00 Cassimere and Serge Suits, 8 to 17 years at $4.39
Boys' $6.50 Cassimere and Serge Suits, 8 to 17 years at $5.48
Boys' $8.50 Cassimere and Serge Suits, 8 to 18 years at $7.49
Boys' $10.00 Cassimere and Serge Suits 8 to 18 years at $8.48
Boys' $3.50 Macinaw Coats at $2.98
Boys' $3.50 Overcoats at $2.98
Boys' $5.00 Overcoats at $4.39
Boys' Reefer Overcoats at $4.29

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All Included in This December Clearance

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Ladies' $10.00 Serge and silk Dresses at ...$6.95
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Ladies' $15.00 Serge and Silk Dresses at ..$11.50
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Ladies' $20.00 Serge and Silk Dresses at ..$14.95
Ladies' $25.00 Serge and Silk Dresses at ..$16.67
Ladies' $35.00 Serge and Silk Dresses at ..$23.50
Party and Evening Dresses all reduced.

Ladies' High Grade Velour and Plush Coats Reduced

Ladies' $20.00 Velour and Plush Coats at $16.95
Ladies $25.00 Velour and Plush Coats at $21.50
Ladies' $30.00 Velour and Plush Coats at $24.95
Ladies' $35.00 Velour and Plush Coats at $29.95
Ladies $40.00 Velour and Plush Coats at $34.50
Ladies' $18.00 White Chinchilla Coats at $11.75
Ladies $10.00 White Chinchilla Coats at $7.95

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Men's Fine Ribbed Union Suits, all sizes at .....98¢
Wright's Spring Needle Union Suits at $1.79
Wright's Spring Shirts and Drawers at .....98¢
Men's Ribbed Shirts and Drawers at .....48¢

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Men's $2.50 Cassimere Pants at $1.98
Men's $3.00 Cassimere and Serge Pants at $2.69
Men's $3.50 Pants at.....$2.98
Men's $4.00 Pants at.....$3.49
$5.00 Pants at $4.29
Ladies' $1.25 Kakli Pants at 98¢

MEN'S, WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S SWEATERS

Men's $1.25 and $1.50 half-Wool Sweaters at ..98c
Men's all-Wool Oxford Sweaters, @ $2.50
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Ladies $5.00 Sweaters, all the new styles @ $3.98
Ladies $6.00 Sweaters, all the new styles @ $4.98
Ladies' $7.50 Sweaters, all the new styles @ $5.95
Children's Sweaters @....98c and $1.48

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$5,000,000 SURPLUS IN POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS

Burleson Reviews the Year's Work in His Department

Points Out That For Three Years There Has Been a Surplus While Under Other Administrations There Was a Deficit.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Postmaster General Burleson's annual report, issued today, declares there was a Postoffice Department surplus of $5,200,000 during the present year and enumerates as among the year's accomplishments improvement of the parcel post, extension of city and rural deliveries and development of the postal saving system.

A surplus of $12,500,000 is shown, says the report, for three years of the four the administration has been in office, and it calls attention to deficits under previous administrations.

The department makes many recommendations for improvement of the service. Some of the most important are these:

That early action be taken by Congress declaring a government monopoly over all utilities for the public transmission of intelligence and that as soon as possible the telephone and telegraph facilities of the United States be incorporated into the postal establishment.

That $300,000 be appropriated now for acquiring telegraph and telephone utilities in Alaska, Porto Rico and Hawaii.

That second class postal rates be revised to make second class matter pay more of its share of transportation expene and that the one-cent rate be appiel to all so-called drop letters.

That public buildings erected for postoffice purposes be standardized and that their costs be commensurate with the needs of the service.

That funds be expended in a number of large cities for buildings not of ornamental design but designed to accommodate the postal service before more money is spent in smaller towns where buildings are not needed and can not be justified.

That changes be mads in the present building policy which imposes a fixed charge on the department that has grown burdensome.

That the classified service be extended to include the position of postmaster at offices of the first, second and third classes.

That the department be authorized to bond its employes so that the government may be protected more adequately an dthat relief may be afforded officials and employes of the service.

That the pay of rural carriers be equilized by fixing salaries on the basis of the number of pieces and weight of mail transported, length of routes and time required to serve them, instead of solely on length of routes as at present.

That $100,000 be appropriated for experiments in aerial transportation of mail.

VOLUNTARY MILITARY SYSTEM AGAIN HAS PROVED A FAILURE

Says General Scott Who Advocates Universal Service.

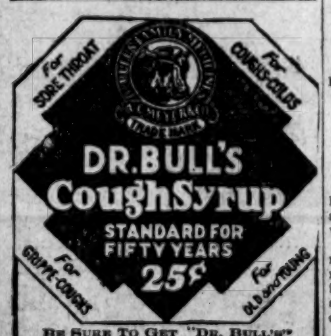
Washington, Dec. 8.—The volunteer military system again has proved itself a failure and should be relegated to the past, declares Major General Hugh L. Scott, Chief of Staff of the Army, in his annual report. Basing his conclusions on the showing of the federalized National Guard, when mobilized for border duty, and the fact that strenuous recruiting campaigns for both the regulars and guardsmen have produced negligible results, General Scott says:

"In my judgment, the country will never be prepared for defense until we do other great nations do that have large interests to guard, like Germany, Japan and France, where everybody is ready and does perform military service in time of peace as he would pay every other tax, and is willing to make sacrifices for the protection he gets and the country gets in return. There is no reason why one woman's son should go out and defend or be trained to defend another woman and her son who refuses to take training or give service. The only democratic method is for every man in his youth to become trained in order that he may render efficient service if called upon in war."

Taking up the question of the National Guard in its federal status, General Scott declares the training period of 75 days in three years provided by the new National Defense act is wholly inadequate.

::In my judgment," he says, "it precludes this force from being made fit for war service until it has received at least six months' additional training in time of war.

The report reiterates the opinion that it takes a year of intensive training to make a soldier and adds that the country and congress appear to have a vital misconception of the facts in this regard. Unless the federalized guard which Congress substituted for the citizen volunteer army advocated by the General Staff can be given greater training, General Scott says, the country faces a serious situation.



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BOARD OF AGRICULTURE ADOPTS BIGGER BUDGET

Wants $20,000 to Finish Eradication of Cattle Tick

Legislature Will Also be Urged to Provide Building for the Department of Agriculture — Craigs to Give Reception.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 8.—Members of the State Board of Agriculture left for their homes today after two days annual session during which they adopted a budget for the next year's work by the various divisions of the department that is around a couple of thousand dollars greater than was set aside for the work of the past year, but which it was found necessary to curtail considerably in mid-year because of marked falling off in the estimated revenue of the department from fertilizer tax and other sources.

However, the past few months the revenue of the department has picked up considerably and the members of the board believe that there will be no occasion to apply any mid-year prunings to the work and expenses this year.

The budget this year is $213,583. The board decided to redouble the experimental work on the test farms along certain lines for the next year and demonstrate the practicability of this work for the farmers, if it is practical. Especially will there be increase in the experiments as to the use of ground lime or marle for soil improvement. The "doctors" have all along very decidedly disagreed as to the utility of the use of lime and the determination is to have experiments that will put an end to these differences and give the undertaking to supply agricultural lime to the farmers at cost by the department a definite and unanimous status.

The department is to make a special plea to the Legislature for a $20,000 appropriation with which to direct the final campaign in conjunction with the Federal department for the elimination of the cattle tick in the 23 counties in Eastern Carolina where the tick and its conservator, "free range" for stock, dominate.

There is to be also this session of the Legislature redoubled effort to provide for an adequate Department of Agriculture building to take place of the fire trap and disreputable combination of buildings that now house the department. Governor Craig has agreed to urge upon the Legislature that provision be made for a department building.

Major Graham, Commission of Agriculture, apologized to the members of the board for having used the term "insubordination" instead of "antagonism" in referring to the attitude of some members to the Commissioner and his powers in directing affairs of the department. Major Graham says the spirit of co-operation among the board members is fine now.

Big Social Event.

With the sojourn of Governor Locke Craig and family in the Governor's Mansion drawing to a close, there will take place at the mansion on the afternoon of December 13 an especially brilliant reception that will probably prove the social climax for the Craig administration. It will be an at home by Mrs. Craig in honor of Miss Mabel Congers Winston, of this city, daughter of Judge Robert W. Winston. More than two hundred invitations have been issued for the affair.

Two New Textile Mills.

Charters were issued today for two new cotton milling enterprises:

The Pinkney Mills (Inc.), of Gastonia, is chartered with $250,000 capital authorized and $50,000 subscribed, the incorporators being R. G. Pinkney, S. M. Boyce, W. T. Pinkney, C. B. Armstrong, A. C. Myers and W. H. Adams. The company will do a general textile manufacturing business.

The Amos Hosiery Mills Co., of High Point, is chartered with $125,000 authorized and $35,000 subscribed by Chas. L. Amos, J. W. Harriss, R. B. Terry, Wescott Roberson and M. B. Smith for a hosiery and underwear knitting business.

MR. M. W. BRABHAM RESIGNS

M. E. Sunday School Field Secretary Goes to Richmond, Va.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Trinity College, Dec. 8.—Mr. M. W. Brabham, field secretary of the Sunday school board of the North Carolina Conference, and who for three years has maintained offices here at the college, has resigned and will go to Richmond, Va., where he will fill a position similar to the one he has held so acceptably in this State. In addition to his field work, Mr. Brabham also assisted in courses in Sunday school organization and management, given here in the department of education. Mr. Brabham's successor will be named at the present meeting of the North Carolina Conference, now in session in this city. Mr. Brabham is a South Carolinian.

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Rub this soothing, penetrating oil right on your painful back, and like magic, relief comes. "St. Jacob's Oil" is a harmless backache, lumbago and sciatica cure which never disappoints and doesn't burn the skin.

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THEATRICAL

It is indeed a rare treat that has been planned for patrons of the Grand for today. It was thought that it would be impossible to book a Chaplin comedy and thus keep up the regular Saturday bill of fare at the Grand, but at the last moment an opportunity was presented to book one of the latest revue creations, "Charlie's Nightmare," a rousing two-reeler, which also has on the end of it a great Charlie Chaplin cartoon comedy.

"Charlie's Nightmare" is a brand new producton and has been shown in no North Carolina town before and should prove one of the greatest attractions of the month at the Grand today. It is full of the typical laugh-provoking stunts which made the million dollar comedy king famous, and co-starring with him is the old Keystone bunch, including Mack Sennett, Mabel Normand, Walrus and all the other inimitable fun makers of the old time Keystone days.

There will be other features on the Grand bill today, to make it one of the biggest bills of varied pictures ever presented.

Banner Day at Victoria

This should be a banner day at the Victoria, as it is the final appearance of that famous musical team, The Venetian Trio who will give their last performance in Wilmington at the Victoria tonight. This trio, being on a straight circuit for the entire season, will not pay Wilmington another visit, and every patron of the theatre who enjoys high class singing and a musical act that has never before been equalled in Wilmington, should most certainly embrace this last opportunity of witnessing something so far out of the ordinary that it has created a veritable sensation all the week at the Victoria.

The big show which was first presented yesterday, "The Pride of the Sultan's Hatem" will be repeated for the last times today and tonight.

The Venetian Trio will again present the big act which created such a sensation on Monday, as it seems that this, of their two bills, has been the most popular, and many requests have been pouring in from those who cannot get to see it until Saturday.

De Rue Brothers' Minstrels.

One of the principal features with De Rue Brothers' Ideal Minstrels will be the reappearance of the Turner Brothers in America, direct from their tour of the principal cities of Europe, which included a ten weeks' engagement at the Coliseum Hippodrome, in London, England, where their act met with great favor and was witnessed by De Rue Brothers' European agent, and immediately an agreement was made and they were engaged for their first return appearance in America. They have the distinction of being one of the few acrobratic duos who have performed and appeared before royalty. This sensational novelty is without a doubt the most marvelous performance which has yet appeared in America, performing seemingly impossible feats of acrobatic ability. De Rue brothers guarantee the appearance of the feature act at each performance at the Academy of Music tonight. The prices are 50 cents, 75 cents and $1.

Victor Herbert's "Sweethearts"

"Sweethearts" the operetta which firmly established Victor Herbert as the formost American composer will be heard in this city next Wednesday matinee and night at the Academy, with charming Julia Gifford in the stellar role.

This will be the first presentation of the Herbert master piece in this section of the country as Mr. Herbert had refused many times to send the attraction on tour after its long run at the New Amsterdam Theatre, New York, as he was unable to secure an adequate cast and one that could give the proper interpretation of the score, which Mr. Herbert considers his most sincere efforts in the light opera field.

But this season Chris O. Brown, Miss Gifford's manager, was able to gather a cast that satisfied the master American composer so that the music lovers of this city will be enabled to hear the lilting Herbertian melodies presented by the Number One company and the only company presenting "Sweethearts" on tour.

The scenic investiture of the company is in keeping with the magnitude of the production and the costumes are veritable gems of the modiste's art. The matinee prices will range from 50 cents to $1. Night prices will be from 75 cents to $2. Tickets will go on sale at Elvington's Pharmacy at 9 a. m. Monday.

Today at the Bijou

Today at the Bijou you will enjoy a great five reel all-Universal bill of movies the like of when you have not had the pleasure of witnessing in many days—even many months.

The headliner for today is a mammoth three reel Gold Seal dramatic gem, "The Woman He Feared" one of the tensest human interest and heart throb dramas of the year. It could have been produced by very few film companies, as it demands types that are so rare. Even at Universal City, the film capital of the world, the director found it difficult to get all the types exactly correct. But the finished production of this strong drama of E. N. Ingleton's story shows all the pains that have been expended on it as it is masterful in every respect.

The part of John Gray, a reformed drunkard who almost slips back into the black abyss from which he has emerged by dint of prodigious effort, is played by Franklyn Farnum, the youngest of the famous Farnum brothers. A whole page full could be said of Clarisan Selwyn, another new star, who plays the part of Gray's Aunt, the one who tempts him into his former ways to get revenge. She has created a role of villainess that is distinct from the traditional vampire.

Another great feature today is the old reliable Animated Weekly back again, this issue containing many great events, including many great war scenes. Then there is a rousing Victor comedy feature, "Felix Gets in Wrong" full of laughs.

NEW BERN FLURRY SETTLED

Aldermen Agree to Pay for Water and Lights for Schools

(Special Star Correspondence)

New Bern, N. C., Dec. 8.—The muchly mooted question of who is to pay for the water and electricity used in the New Bern public schools has been settled and once again serene quietness reigns supreme in local educational circles.

The Board of Aldermen were asked to settle the matter and they did this by appropriating an amount not more than two hundred dollars a year to defray this expense.

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Christmas Sale of Ladies' Blouses

One of the most desirable as well as suitable Xmas presents is a waist or blouse of silk crepe de chine or georgette. Those that will be placed on sale this morning are from our regular stock of Fall and Winter models.

The reductions are made for one day only, Saturday, and should prove attractive to Gift Hunters.

The store presents thousands of gift items but none more so than this collection of underpriced full value silk blouses.

$6.50 Georgette crepe blouses in white, flesh and colors, plain and embroidered, excellent styles, specially priced for Saturday at... **$4.75**

$4.00 Georgette crepe blouses, neat tucked designs, also plain models, all sizes, white, flesh and colors, specially priced for today at.. **$2.95**

$2.50 Crepe de chine and wash silk blouses, white, flesh and colors, all sizes; specially priced for today at **$1.95**

Another shipment of the famous Wirthmor blouses in voiles and madras, newest models, worth more, but always priced at **$1.00**

Saturday Is Hosiery Day

Our hosiery stock was changed yesterday into its permanent quarters at the right of the entrance in the handsome new mahogany cabinets built specially for them. We are celebrating the event by offering some uncommonly good values for today's selling.

Gordon silk hose in black and white, all sizes; specially priced, at pair ..... **69¢**

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EPSTEIN CASE MAY GO TO THE JURY LATE TODAY

Yesterday Consumed by Counsel in Argument, Still Unfinished.

(Special Star Telegram).

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 8.—The fifth day of the trial of Hyman Epstein, charged with killing Leonard Edwards, came to a close this afternoon without the jury getting the case. The evidence was concluded yesterday and argument before the jury by counsel began with the sitting of court this morning.

Solicitor Siler opened in a terse but comprehensive speech of an hour, presenting the State's contention for a verdict. He was followed by Mr. M. H. Allen for the defense in a two-hour argument that was powerful, eloquent, sympathetic and appealing. He in turn, was following by Mr. Don C. Humphrey for the prosecution, and his arraying of all the evidence, analyzing it and argument were forceful.

Mr. Humphrey was followed by Mr. Frank Taylor and he by Mr. Russell Robinson, both for the defense, and both making characteristic strong speaches. It is probable that, as several other attorneys are yet to speak o nboth sides, it will be late tomorrow before the case gets to the jury under the charge of the judge for a verdict.

CARD OF THANKS.

Knowing that it is impossible to reach all individually we take this method of thanking everyone for the many kindnesses and the great consideration shown us during the illness and death of our beloved sister, Miss Mary Rebecca Hodges.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

When a man dies people will ask, What property has he left?But the angels will ask, What good deeds has he sent before him?
MOHAMMED

Well, Mumm's not the word that goes this Christmas.

Long ago we boycotted several things because they boycotted us first.

It's none of our business, but it will be all over with Leap Year in just 21 days. Some opportunities knock once every four years.

The committee on commercial opportunities in Wilmington would have something big to report if it knew what opportunities are.

A Philadelphia woman bequeathed all her fortune to her lawyer. He probably intended to get hold of only half of it in the regular way.

When in doubt about what to do with your money, give it to your wife to keep for you till she takes a notion to spend it for something worth having.

The man who stores eggs takes as much risk as men take on other shell games. He may learn that it is never a good idea to have all his eggs in one basket.

Says the Raleigh Times: "Where Cuba got the bonds is said to be mystifying North Carolinians in Washington." He's surely got his tracks well covered this time.

Yes, old top, get a nice Christmas present for her. Buy it in Wilmington and do your shopping early for she might catch up with you if you poke around till the last minute.

Most anybody could have told Rumania that being a sandwich in a big war is not the thing for a little nation. Guess Rumania knew it long ago, but she could not change her geographical location.

Property can depreciate in value or be destroyed, but real capital remains. It may change hands, but it gets into somebody's hands for new uses, unless it be locked up in the vaults of some money center.

When war begins you may be up at the top, but if you cannot prove that you are a Napoleonic genius your name will become the mud part of the muddle that evolves itself out of the hysterics of a bellicose psychology.

The municipal election in Unitilla, Oregon, occurred on Tuesday, and the candidates for mayor were Mr. E. Stracher and Mrs. E. Stracher. Mrs. Stracher beat the old man because the citizens of Unitilla have learned to know that municipal administration makes little progress with men on the job mostly for what they can get out of it.

In Atlanta on Wednesday Mr. Asa Candler was elected mayor by a two to one vote over his opponent, A. M. Corrie. The new mayor is the multi-millionaire properietor of Coca-Cola, which has made Atlanta almost as famous as Milwaukee. The election means that Atlanta prefers the water-wagon to the blind tigers that have been flagrantly violating the prohibition laws.

BUYING WHAT WE SHOULD RAISE.

The Rocky Mount Telegram takes note of a matter that reminds us of what becomes of lots of our cotton and tobacco money after those great staple crops are raised by our farmers. The Telegram makes two distinctions which give us two angles at which to view the matter:

"The farmer that is buying western corn at $1.06 a bushel to feed his teams, has certainly just cause to congratulate himself that farm products in money crops of cotton and tobacco brought good prices. On the other hand the fellow that had a good acreage in corn and that has enough to last him another year sees that it pays to raise what is consumed on the farm at home. It is an absolute necessity if the farmers are to strike for independence and for greater and better things."

The simple truth about the matter is that a man who spends his cotton and tobacco money for corn and foodstuffs won't have much left in his pocketbook. However, the man who raises his own supplies, can keep most of his cotton and tobacco money in his pocket after spending such necessary amounts as will clothe his family. There is all the difference in the world. By buying what we ought to raise we part with our wealth. By raising all our own supplies we retain our wealth.

TO HEAD OFF BOLL WEEVIL.

Eastern North Carolina farmers would be denied the privilege of growing cotton for one year or more if the bill which is to be offered in the Senate by Senator Smith, of South Carolina, should be passed by Congress. Possibly Congress might fall back upon the Interstate Commerce clause in order to get the authority to pass such a bill as the South Carolina senator proposes for the purpose of preventing the spread of the destructive boll weevil that soon must reach the cotton growing areas of North Carolina and South Carolina. The invasion of the pest surely is coming by way of Georgia.

Senator Smith is preparing and soon will offer a bill providing for the creation of a series of zones in the South, in which zones the farmers would be prohibited from planting cotton, according to the plan of checking and destroying the weevil. The senator proposes that the non-growing area shall be started in the extreme northeastern limit of the cotton section, which is southeastern Virginia and the northeastern part of North Carolina. Thence the zones, which are to be 100 miles in width, would gradually work southward and westward each year till the entire cotton growing belt shall have been covered.

We have seen no statement of the reason why the zones should begin in the northeastern portion of the belt, since it would seem that a zone between Georgia and South Carolina would more surely prevent the spread of the weevil into South Carolina and thence into North Carolina. According to Senator Smith, however, during the first year the prohibitive zone would include the extreme eastern portions of North Carolina and South Carolina. The next year this zone would be released and the next zone would be extended 100 miles farther south. That order or rotation would be kept up till all the cotton growing states had been zoned.

The Federal government, Senator Smith explains, would be given power to police the zones to make sure that the law is observed by growers and ginners, who could be compensated by the government for any loss that might be sustained by missing a year of cotton production. A year ago, when Senator Smith proposed a boll weevil zone in Alabama, experts estimated that it would cost $25,000,000 a year to sustain the operations of the proposed law.

"Highest entomological authorities have approved the zone system as the only practical means of exterminating the devastating boll weevil in this country," says Senator Smith. "The annual cost would be infinitesimal as compared to the benefit that would be derived. Six hundred million dollars has been expended to eradicate the boll weevil in this country, but he still thrives and is moving rapidly toward the fields of North and South Carolina. The zone system not only would prove the practicability of this method of exterminating the boll weevil, but by giving farmers opportunity to grow over crops, would demonstrate whether the South can successfully grow other food products."

It is the larvae of the boll weevil that destroys the young cotton bolls and ruins the crop. The eggs are laid in the blooms by a miller or small butterfly, something like the candle fly, and they are hatched out in the summer in time to fly around and deposit their eggs. Possibly they do not fly very far, so that a zone next to an infested region, it strikes us, would prevent the spread of the weevil. However, there is that other danger—the shipment of infested cotton seed into non-weevil territory. The menace to the cotton growing industry is so serious, however, that most any measure for preventing the spread of the weevil and its ultimate extermination would be justified.

The quail is said to be the worst enemy of the weevil and for that reason Georgia farmers are heading off every hunter who guns for birds.

THE CANE SYRUP INDUSTRY.

North Carolina is splendidly adapted to the production of cane syrup and so is South Carolina, while Georgia, Alabama and Florida are becoming famous for their cane syrup. It is advertised in many of the leading magazines of the country and it is gaining immense popularity. Even New England concerns are making a specialty of a blend of maple and cane syrup. The Augusta Herand, referring to the syrup industry in Georgia, says:

"This has been an unusual year for the making of sorghum syrup. Cane mills have ground out thousands of gallons of good, pure, unadulterated syrup, while the dissicated stalks were piled high, to be used for bedding in the stables.

"Grady county has gone largely into sugar cane and Grady now claims the distinction of being the greatest syrup producer in southwest Georgia. Cane grinding is now under full headway there and the crop will amount to thousands of barrels of Georgia cane. This syrup will be put up in cases and sold throughout the markets of the United States.

"Georgia cane syrup has more body to it than maple syrup and is far superior in flavor to it. It is also more wholesome, and when refined, it is considered by connoisseurs better than the best brand of sugar house molasses. The buckwheat cakes and waffles of the affluent are now eaten with Georgia cane, because it is the purest and finest flavor. It contains no glucose or other compound.

"Grady county is now getting good prices for her splendid product. While the crop is short in contiguous counties, they have made a fair crop of cane in Grady. There is no reason why the farmers in the Savannah valley should not grow Georgia cane and get rich. Cane growing in Georgia was started in Richmond county by General John D. Twiggs, who has left some valuable information as to the results he achieved."

The grinding of cane comes at a time in the fall when there is little else to be done on a well regulated farm. Considerable quantities of syrup are produced in Eastern North Carolina, but more attention should be paid to it as a means of adding to the farm income. A co-operative cane mill and evaporator plant would enable all the farmers to grow more or less cane as a side issue. They can at least produce all their family supply, yet every gallon of syrup would find ready sale in this country.

THE SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL CONGRESS

Wilmington ought to be well represented at the eighth session of the Southern Commercial Congress which meets at Norfolk next Monday and Tuesday. We presume that most cities in North Carolina will send delegates, as will communities throughout the Southern states. Norfolk has made extensive preparations to accommodate large crowds, and for the occasion the hotels of the Virginia city have offered reduced rates for room and board.

The theme of the Congress will be "International Reconstruction," but the programme will include a great variety of discussions of special value to the South. The agricultural, industrial, financial and material development of the South will be specialized, and it is well for all live communities to get in touch with the purpose and plans of the great Southern organization.

The Southern Commercial Congress works for the whole South, and it already has done some notable development work in connection with those communities which have secured its cooperation. The completest success of any movement depends upon the co-operative spirit of the individual communities which desire to avail themselves of the broad plans which the Congress hopes to make available to all the South.

AS TO MR. GOODEN.

To the Editor of The Star:

In writing of Mr. Gooden not taking the oath of allegiance, I received my information from his own lips. He said he could have come home (or away) sooner if he had taken the oath but he would not do that. I do not remember the exact words of the rest he said, but I understood him to mean that he did not do so at all. If he did, it was my misunderstanding and no intention to misrepresent him. It was his adherence to principles and not the principles themselves that I thought commendable. J. D. S.

Abbottsburg, N. C.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Wilmington women have voted to boycott butter, eggs, and cheese. Dare we say that they are "up to snuff?"—Raleigh Times Courier.

That Charlotte's commercial world has increased its business more than 23 per cent during the past year, in spite of the European war, the flood and several other hindering factors, is the statement of Secretary E. N. Farris, who Thursday night completed a business survey of the city as a committeeman for the Associated Advertising Clubs' continentwide campaign to secure a business inventory. Charlotte was selected as a representative marketing center by the big organization for the purpose of making its third annual investigation of business conditions. Following the outbreak of the European war it was the desire of the Associated Advertising Clubs to see in just what manner and to what extent business was being affected by the great conflict—Charlotte News.

"The first flock of sheep ever brought to Dade county arrived here a month ago," says the Miami Herald, "and are now on the farm of L. L. Follette, on the Allapattah road". The paper says that the sheep have prospered and that the experiment has already proved successful. Other farmers are now talking of going into the sheep-raising business. The Herald, evidently quoting some authority, says that sheep graze very close to the ground and are able to secure ample forage where cattle would starve. This is of course a great advantage in favor of sheepraising.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

Are we not reaping what we have sown? Is the present condition existing in this country, in which every man, woman and child is face to face with the high cost of living problems, a result of the mistakes of the past? Is it not true that the resources of this country have been wantonly thrown away and that now the effects are being felt? These are questions for the thinking man to ponder. Far seeing men have realized for some years that the people of America were living at too fast a clip; that the utter disregard of the principles of conservation of the material resources of a wonderfully blessed country would sooner or later have a telling effect. Conservationists have preached their good doctrine and some of the seed has fallen on good ground and produced fruit; but alas! not so with all of it. Men have heard but have not heeded the advice. The abuse of power, however it may have been obtained by brokers and storage men, may be responsible to a degree for the problems that confront us today. The fact that the supply is not adequate to meet the demand is the underlying cause. Congressional investigation may have some effect; it may retard the unscrupulous from practicing his imposition; it may ferret out and call more forcibly to the attention of the public the causes and it may suggest a remedy. After all unless the principle of conservation is instilled into the minds of the people and by great concerted action all the vast natural resources of this country are preserved, congressional or other investigation is not going to amount to anything. We must learn better the possibilities of our lands. We must learn to make the products of our toil go further. We must make use of the bi-products and not continue to consign them to the dross bucket.—Kinston Free Press.

In effect, the action taken by Judge Bond in the Britt-Weaver injunction case was a refusal to take action. Practically speaking, a postponement of decision was a decision in favor of Mr. Britt, the Republican claimant to the certificate of election to Congress from the Tenth district. The result is that the order issued by Judge Carter, restraining the State Board of Canvassers from issuing its certificate to Mr. Weaver, still stands. The order was made returnable before Judge Bond. He has refused to declare that he is without jurisdiction and has overruled the defendant's demurrer; but he has not exercised the jurisdiction by making any further order in the case. This is a course that will doubtless shock the orderly legal mind. The "buck was passed" to Judge Bond. Instead of using it, or attempting to pass it to somebody else, he has, figuratively speaking, put it in his pocket. He gives a decision favorable to the plaintiff, without giving any decision at all. Until he makes a move he seems to break up the game. Judge Bond's reasons for a most peculiar course are more creditable to his fine personal sense of equity than they are legally satisfying.—Raleigh Times.

GOT ENOUGH OF THE NORTH

Pender County Negro Back Home and Mighty Glad to Get Back

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 8.—Walter White, a Pender county darky, has arrived here from Williamsport, Pa., "for good". White went north last March, he says. He has since been "up against it a lot of times." Stories of high wages lured him; the lure was followed by disillusionment. Wages for labor on the railroads are very little higher than in the tobacco plants and fields and sawmills of this section, he states, while the cost of living is 40 per cent. higher for a North Carolina negro who likes "his meat." He knows eight or ten other North Carolina "fools" in the same vicinity, White says. Everyone of these wants to come back and will as soon as he can raise the money. Many Southern darkies are forsaking the railroad work for "any kind of an old job" in the cities. There they can find warmth, at least, have as good a show of keeping body and soul together, for the rural country "up there" is picked bare at this season. "There ain't no sweet potatoes, no meat in barns, no nothin' much," he declares. White men live well and there is nothing like a famine, "but it's jest natu'lly too cold for a nigger and his somethin' to eat costs too much longside what he makes." White says the northern white's antipathy is more discouraging to a colored man than anything he experiences "down south".

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Price Breaks Over a Cent a Pound On a Most Notable Reaction

New Orleans, Dec. 8.—A huge volume of selling broke the price of cotton more than a cent a pound here today causing the most notable reaction from the long advances yet experienced. Larger ginning than expected and the rumor that Greece had declared war on England were influences that caused the selling.

In the early trading prices lost about $2 a bale, holders of long contracts being disappointed at the way ginning kept up. Much long cotton was thrown overboard and offerings were swelled by short sellers. A short period of steadiness followed the initial break and the market recovered partially but this upturn attracted more selling and the market was soon on the down grade again. The climax of the decline came around the middle of the day when the trading months were 103 to 113 points under yesterday's close. In the afternoon the tone was steadier on profit taking by short sellers of the morning and here was a recovery of about 30 points. Last prices of the day were at a net loss of 76 to 82 points.

Cotton futures closing bid: December 1846; January 1853; March 1834; May 1910; July 1925; October 1734. Spot cotton nominal, unchanged. Sales on the spot 62; to arrive 850.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

International Situation Does Much to Force Wheat Prices Down.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Increased activity of German submarines and a rapidly growing list of differences between Washington and Berlin as to the status of some of the vessels which have been sunk did a good deal today to force wheat prices down. The market close dnervous ⅝ to 4½c net lower, with May at 1.74⅝ to 1.74⅞ and July at 1.47½ to 1.47¾. Other leading commodities, too, all showed losses—corn 1⅝ to 2⅝; oats 1⅛ to 1⅜, and provisions 10 to 20c.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.74⅝; July 1.47½.
Corn—May 91¾; July 91⅛.
Oats—May 56⅜; July 53¼.
Pork—January 26.65; May 25.85.
Lard—January 15.95; May 15.92.
Ribs—January 13.80; May 14.10.
Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red nominal; No. 3 red 1.74; No. 2 hard 1.79½; No. 3 hard 1.77½.

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RADIUM WORTH OVER $1,000,000 MANUFACTURED DURING YEAR

Other Work of Bureau of Mines Reviewed in Annual Report.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Manufacture of radium worth more than a million dollars; a saving of more than $20,000,000 worth of natural gas in the Blackwell field of Oklahoma; manufacture of gasoline at a cost of six cents a gallon; development of an electrical furnace which promises to wipe out losses of $10,000,000 a year in the melting of brass, and the saving of many lives through the promotion of scientific mining methods are among the achievements of the Fuderal Bureau of Mines outlined today in the annual report of the director, Van H. Manning.

The manufacture of radium was accomplished in co-operation with the National Radium Institute which furnished capital of $300,000 necessary to develop an economical method of extracting the precious metal from the carnotite ores of the west. Eight and onehalf grams of radium were produced at a cost of less than $40,000 per gram, which in open market would have cost between $100,000 and $120,000 a gram. The greater part of the product was turned over to two great hospitals for use in treatment of cancer, from which it is estimated there are 75,000 deaths each year in the United States.

Th einstitute supplied the ore, plant and machinery and the Bureau of Mines spent $35,000 developing the process. For its part, the government received at least $100,000 worth of radium which will be used for scientific purposes. The method evolved has been patented for the government and may be used free by anyone within the United States.

The saving of $20,000,000 worth of natural gas in the Blackwell field was accomplished by use of the bureau's new method of drilling wells. It includes a process of sealing the gas in its original reservoir until marketing time. Oil operators in Kansas and other states have adopted the method.

RECEIVER IS APPOINTED

Takes Charge of Gas Plant in Washington, N. C.—Service Continues

Washington, N. C., Dec. 8.—The Washington Lighting Company, more generally known as the local gas plant, went into the hands of a receiver yesterday. The Federal court appointed Capt. George T. Leach, of this city, the receiver. Captain Leach stated that the company would continue their regular service of gas to the local consumers, and citizens would not be inconvenienced a single day, without gas. The receiver also stated that he would procure a force of competent men to handle the local plant and everything necessary for good service would be done. Mr. C. Bachman, the president of the company, left here several weeks ago and when last heard from was in Washington D. C. No one seems to know what his intentions are in regard to the local plant.

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FAMILY AVOIDS SERIOUS SICKNESS

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McDuff, Va.—"I suffered for several years," says Mrs. J. B. Whittaker, of this place, "with sick headache, and stomach trouble.

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BOY IS AWARDED $1,000 FOR AN EYE AND FINGER

Judge Connor Signs Consent Judgment in Superior Court

Plaintiff, Ugo Ferro, Eight Years Old, Was Injured by Explosion of Dynamite Cap While Playing Ball. Other Cases Tried.

One of the most interesting and important cases disposed of at yesterday's session of Superior court was that of Ugo Ferro, by next friend, Natalia Ferro, against the Carolina Trucking & Development Company, in which the plaintiff, an eight year old boy, was awarded $1,000 for the loss of an eye and minor injuries by a consent judgment, which was signed by Judge G. W. Connor and the sum paid over in court.

According to the contentions of the plaintiff in the case as averred in the complaint, Ugo, who was the son of Natalia Ferro, one of the colonists of the company at its place near St. Helena, was injured by the alleged negligent and careless storing of high explosives by the company on its farms near St. Helena, about two and a half years ago.

It was alleged in the complaint that on June 18, 1914, the plaintiff was engaged in a ball game near his father's home, that a ball was batted and the little fellow ran after it and found a dynamite cap, the dangerous qualities of which he had no knowledge, owing to his tender age, that when a second ball was batted Ugo again went to recover it and finding that the ball had entered a patch of grass which was on fire endeavored to recoverthe ball by raking it out with his hat at the same time holding the dynamite cap in his hand. As soon as the cap came in contact with the fire, it exploded, blew out Ugo's left eye and a part of the index finger on his right hand and also lacerating several other fingers, but not destroying the used of them.

From the allegations in the complaint, it appeared that the company had used the explosives for the blasting of stumps on its property. It was also contended by the counsel for the plaintiff, L. Clayton Grant and W. P. Gafford, Esqs., that they would be able to prove that a day or so after the inquiry, the company sent out its employes and they picked up a quantity of dnamite caps and sticks in the vicinity of the place where they were stored. The law firm of Rountree, Davis & Carr represented the defendant company.

Among the other cases disposed of were those of Worth Company against the International Sugar Feed Company No. 2, in which the jury gave a verdict in favor of the plaintiff; the case of Haggerty Cook Company against E. S. Waddell, in which the jury gave the plaintiff a verdict for $65.57, and the following cases in which non-suits were entered: W. T. Croom against W. H. McEachern, W. A. Whitehead against Winstead Produce Company and Rebecca Johnson against L. J. Carter.

When court adjourned the case of Robert Gadsen, colored, against Geo. H. Craft & Company, contractors, in which the plaintiff is seeking to recover damages for alleged personal injuries received some time ago while working on a bridge near Hilton, was being tried. The plaintiff testified that since his injury he has been unable to do any heavy work. The trial of the case will be resumed this morning.

MAKING AN INSPECTION OF CONCRETE ROADS IN THE CITY

Representative of Portland Cement Association in Wilmington

Mr. W. P. Engel, a member of the highway engineering staff of the Portland Cement Association, is in Wilmington for the purpose of making an examination of the streets and roads. Mr. Engel spent yesterday at Oleander, the new suburban development east of the city, and made a thorough inspection of the concrete streets and sidewalks which have been built there. He will confer today with the city and county officials relative to highway building.

Mr. Engel said last night that he had been especially impressed with the durability of the brick paved streets in Wilmington. He thought that these had stood up remarkably well. He also spoke very highly of the other improved streets.

One of the most extensive and scientific studies ever made of any type of road, according to Mr. Engel, is being conducted by the Portland Cement Association, of all the concrete roads in the United States. The reports are made on specially prepared blanks so that they will all be of uniform character and will present the information in the most concise form. This information will be tabulated and studied with reference to all the various methods that have been used and the results that have been obtained.

The Portland Cement Association, with offices and engineers scattered throughout the country, will then be in a position to advise officials and communities building concrete roads as to those methods which have proved most successful.

The significance of this undertaking can be appreciated when it is realized that it includes a critical examination of upwards of 70,000,000 square yards of concrete pavement or nearly 7,000 miles of 18-foot road.

HAS BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY

Mrs. C. W. Leighton Entered Contest Late, But is Still in the Game.

One of the most artistically decorated windows that is entered in the Window Trimming Contest being held under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce is that of Mrs. C. W. Leighton's millinery establishment on Princess street. Mrs. Leighton entered the contest at the eleventh hour, and for this region was not mentioned in the review of the exhibits published in yesterday's Star.

Mr. T. R. Williams Dead.

A telegram to friends in this city yesterday afternoon conveyed the intelligence of the death of Mr. Thos. R. Williams, formerly of this city, which occurred at his home in Norfolk, Va., at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, in the 86th year of his age. Mr. Williams formerly owned a large amount of real estate in the Wrightsboro section of the county and was quite well known. The funeral will be held at Norfolk.

EXERCISES AT HIGH SCHOOL

First Meeting of High School Literary Societies Is Featured by Many Addresses.—Tablets Presented

On the occasion of the first meeting of the Bradley and Tileston Literary societies of the Wilmington High school held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the High school building, an interesting programme of exercises, which included the presentation of bas-relief tablets of former Governors Aycock and Jarvis to the school, was carried out. The bas-reliefs of the former governors were presented by Messrs. H. E. Bonitz and J. H. Niggell, Jr., following a song by the students of the school, Mr. Malcomb Little, the principal, made a short address in which he explained the object of the societies and what it was hoped to accomplish through them.

After this Morgan Fenley, of the senior class, who was chosen president of the Tileston Literary society, made an interesting address, outlining the policy and purpose of the organization. He was followed by Miss Martha Rogers, of the Junior class, president of the Bradley Literary society, who presented, in a most pleasing manner, an outline of the future policy of this society. Both of these student speakers acquitted themselves with much credit, and their addresses were warmly received by the audience.

John D. Bellamy, Jr., Esq., representing the school committees, spoke of the value which the two literary societies of the University of North Carolina had been to that institution and explained the value which the two societies just organized would be to the High school students of Wilmington. He then presented Prof. M. C. S. Noble, of the University, who delivered a most entertaining address of encouragement and commendation.

Prof. Noble was followed by Mr. Bonitz, who presented two beautiful bas-relief tablets of former governors Aycock and Jarvis. Mr. Bonitz paid high tribute to these gentlemen as being the two greatest educational leaders which North Carolina had produced.

The speech of acceptance of these gifts was made by Woodus Kellum, Esq., chairman of the county board of Education. He thanked Mr. Bonitz for this appropriate and valuable gift. Mr. Kellum also complimented the presidents of the two societies for the manner in which they presented the relative merits of their respective organizations. The exercises closed with the singing of "Carolina".

JURY HOLDS MR. A. S. WINSTEAD IS ABLE TO MANAGE AFFAIRS

Special Proceedings Heard by Clerk of Superior Court.

The jury in the special proceedings heard yesterday afternoon at the county court house before the Clerk of the Superior court, Maj. W. N. Harriss, to inquire into the competency of Mr. A. S. Winstead to manage his business affairs, held as a matter of fact after hearing the testimony of two physicians and four other witnesses that Mr. Winstead was mentally competent to handle his affairs.

Representing the side in the proceeding which was seeking to have Mr. Winstead declared incompetent under the statute to handle his business affairs in such a way as to preserve his estate and also to have a guardian named a have charge of same, was P. D .Satchwell, Esq., while C. C. Cashwell, Esq., appeared for Mr. Winstead. Mr. Winstead, who is in failing health from a physical point of view, was present at the proceedings and occupied a wheel-chair. In answer to Major Harriss' question as to whether he desired to take the stand, Mr. Winstead replied that he did not.

Drs. Edward J. Wood and John C. Wessell testified that they had treated Mr. Winstead about two years ago. They also testified as to his condition at the time they treated him. Witnesses called by the defense testified that, in their opinion, Mr. Winstead was mentally competent to handle his ordinary business affairs.

"STRONGEST CONVENTION YET"

Wilmington Ministers and Laymen Return from Elizabeth City.

"The strongest convention we have yet held," was the estimate which Rev. W. G. Hall, pastor of Southside Baptist church, placed upon the session of the Baptist State Convention, held this week at Elizabeth City, upon his return home yesterday morning. Dr. J. J. Hurt, pastor of the First Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor of Calvary church, Messrs. D. L. Gore, L. W. Moore and John R. Hanby arrived yesterday afternoon from the convention.

The consensus of opinion among those attending, said Mr. Hall, was that in point of constructive work and what this work means for a future of the Baptist denomination in the State, it was the best convention they ever attended. The overshadowing work of he convention was the laying of plans for the great forward movement in education, which contemplates the larger endowment of the convention's colleges and the endowment of a select number of Baptist preparatory schools in the various sections of the State, the whole being co-related in a compact and harmonious system with financial backing and strength to achieve their mission. The convention was very inspiring and helpful, Mr. Hall said, and it was a pity in his opinion, that the meeting was held so far from the center of the convention's territory that the attendance was rather limited.

THEY LIKED "SWEETHEARTS."

Richmond Critics Praise Musical Offering Which is Coming Here.

The Richmond papers last week all spoke in high praise of the musical offering, "Sweethearts," which is to be at the Academy of Music in Wilmington next Wednesday. Douglas Gordon, of The Times Dispatch, says:

"'Sweethearts', given at the Academy of Music last night, is simple enough: The whole thing—play, music, singers and comedians—so wholly delighted the greater part of the audience that 'overwhelming success' is not too large a phrase with which to describe it. Apparently, no audience of the season has been more completely satisfied by any musical piece, or by its performance, than was a large majority of that which laughed, applauded and applauded again every scene, every song, every moment of 'Sweethearts'."

CORNERSTONE WILL BE LAID THIS AFTERNOON

Parade Will Precede Impressive Ceremonies to Mark Event

Congressman Logue Will Deliver Main Address at Exercises When Cornerstone of New Federal Building is Laid.

Preceded by a parade of fraternal and civic organizations of the city and featured by an address by Congressman J. Washington Logue, of Philadelphia, the orator of the day, the ceremonies this afternoon at 3:45 in connection with the laying of the cornerstone of Wilmington's new half-million dollar Federal building which is being erected on Water street between Princess and Market streets, promises to be one of the most impressive and interesting vents in the history of the city. Mayor P. Q. Moore will make a short address and introduce the speaker of the occasion.

The hundreds of marchers who will be in the parade, include the members of the local council Knights of Columbus and visiting members of this order from Richmond, Charlotte and Charleston, members of the Cape Fear Camp of Confederate Veterans, the Boy Scouts, Col. Walker Taylor and staff of employes of the custom house, members of Wilmington Typographical Union No. 556, members of the local order of Red Men, and a squad of police officers. Mr. Roger Moore, representing the Rotary Club, will act as marshal of the parade.

The start of the parade will be at 3:15 o'clock from the city hall and the line of march will be from Third and Princess streets to Market street, down Market to Front, up Front to Princess, and down Princess to Water street, where the exercises will be held.

Those who will actively participate in the laying of the cornerstone will include: Mr. George P. Galvin, representing the Knights of Columbus; Mayor P. Q. Moore, representing the city of Wilmington; Col. Walker Taylor, as collector of customs; Gen. Jas. L. Metts, representing the Confederate Veterans; Mr. Marcus Jacobi, representing the Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Roger Moore, representing the Rotary Club; Mr. A. T. Robertson, representing the Royal Arcanum; Mr. J. H. Curtis, representing the Typographical Union and Mr. F. K. J. Fuchs, representing the Red Men.

Following Congressman Logue's address, the cremonies will come to an and when the benediction is pronounced by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton, rector of St. James' church.

COLORED WOMAN MAKES THIRD ESCAPE OF WEEK

Mary McGlaughan Escaped Yesterday From Authorities at County Farm

Mary McGlaughon, colored, who was recently sentenced in Recorder's court to serve a term of 30 days at the county farm on a larceny charge and who probably holds the record in this county for the greatest number of escapes in same space of time, escaped yesterday from the farm.

Employed as a cook for a resident of Front street, Mary started the ball rolling by escaping before she was arrested on a larceny charge. This was last Saturday morning, when she jumped out of the kitchen window and sprinted past Officer D. W. Coleman. She later returned for her clothes and was arrested by Officer Chas. Wood. She immediately "took sick," was sent to the hospital from which place she escaped early last Sunday morning. She was captured in Lake Waccamaw Monday and brought back to this city by Officer H. Mack Godwin, tried in Recorder's court and sent to the county farm.

THE SCOUTS ARE ACTIVE

Wilmington Troops Now Busy Making Hikes and Studying the Stars.

The activities of the Boy Scouts in Wilmington continue to increase and the fine weather of the past few days has given an incentive to hikes by day and star study by night. Troop No. 10 reports through Carl H. Williams a good business meeting with troop committee present. A brisk hike to Point Peter on a recent Saturday was greatly enjoyed by the boys. Robert Sloan has passed his final test in signalling and is now a second class scout.

Bernard Spooner of Troop No. 7 recently made an all day hike alone. He made a clear and intelligent description of his course and an excellent map of the ground covered which in all was 15 miles through the woods east and north of Wilmington.

It is a source of regret to loves of song birds that some seem to be unable to restrain themselves in the hunting season from shooting indiscriminately at everything they see on the wing. A true scout will do all he can to see that the birds are properly protected.

CHRISTMAS CHECKS TODAY

Many Families Will Rejoice Today Over Money for Yuletide Season.

The Christmas season draws near and there is no soul so dead that does not respond to the spirit of the holiday season. A source of joy to at least 1,000 Wilmingtonians today will be the Christmas checks which they will receive from the Home Savings Bank. These are the members of a class of 1,000 organized the first of the year as a Christmas club. For 50 weeks they have been putting their savings away and now they are to draw them out for Christmas. The total amount to be paid out is about $20,000.

The American Bank & Trust Company also has a large Christmas club and will send out its checks on the 15th. The checks are now being made out.

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GETTING UP CHRISTMAS BOX

Wilmington Red Cross Will Send Good Cheer to Company A, North Carolina Engineers

All those desiring to join in the worthy movement for sending Christmas cheer to the Wilmington company of engineers, now stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, are urged to send their donations to the Y. M. C. A., where the boxes will be packed under the supervision of Mrs. Hluethenthal, who is acting chairman of the committee of the local Red Cross. These packages must be received by Monday in order that they may reach the Wilmington soldier boys by Christmas day.

Mrs. J. V. Grainger, Sr., president of the Wilmington Red Cross, has been busy for the last several days getting up these donations and has met with fine success. It is hoped that Wilmington can send a big contribution to the happiness of the young men on the border. The following interesting letter has been received by one of the members of the Red Cross in Wilmington, which speaks for itself:

Co. A. N. C. Engineers, Fort Bliss, Texas. December 3rd, 1916.

"My dear Miss.—

"You perhaps have never heard of Company A. N. C. Engineers. They were organized in mid-summer and quietly left for the mobolization camp one Saturday afternoon when everybody was down to the Beach for the week-end, and as the train pulled out of the Union Station, they passed out of nearly everybody's thoughts, nevertheless, they are now your City's representatives at the South Central gateway of your country and represent the part your city is doing to keep the Mexican bandit on his side of the river. Our company with very few exceptions, is composed of all Wilmington boys. Most of them are young boys willing to do anything in line of duty and have done excellent work for the division to which they are attached, but 2,000 miles from home and a likelihood of being here indefinitely, is apt to promote homesickness—for myself, I have an awful dose of it, but we must stand it.

"What we are trying to do is to get our friends at home to make us some kind of donations to put the merry part in Christmas to those who will otherwise be without. I am not asking for anything of value, but just that our friends at home will divert a part of their generosity towards these boys.

"The things that you would give to the little boys and girls at home will strike right to the soldier's heart and a little talk in favor of us will do more than you might imagine.

"Our lot is not all tea and roses—we have experienced a blizzard and weeks of below freezing every night and sand storms whenever it turns warm. Now, we are speculating on what we will have to do should Villa carry out his threat and advance on Jaurez;—but then we didn't come in this business for a pleasure trip, so we must take what comes in line of duty.

"I am writing as both vice-president of the civil body and Company Quarter Master and will appreciate the kind thoughts of our Wilmington friends.

"With best wishes for the Merriest of Christmas, I am.

'Sincerely yours'

MR. DAVIS TO PREACH.

State Secretary of Anti-Saloon League to Reach Wilmington Tonight.

Rev. R. L. Davis, of Raleigh, secretary of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, will arrive in Wilmington tonight from Durham, where he has been attending the sessions of the North Carolina Conference, and will conduct services tomorrow morning at Grace Methodist church and at Fifth Avenue Methodist church tomorrow night. Mr. Davis will outline the legislative programme of the Anti-Saloon League in his addresses in this city and will also tell of the efforts the league will make at Washington next month to get the resolution through Congress for National prohibition.

Mr. Davis will preach prohibition at both services and will no doubt outline the purpose of the Anti-Saloon League to secure further State legislation against the liquor traffic. The league is working to stop the receipt of all whiskey and beer by express and to stop the sale of wine and cider. Mr. Davis has been the leader of the temperance forces in the State for the past ten years. He is a temperance orator of National reputation who will interest the people who hear him.

THE RECORDER'S COURT

Woman is Given Three Months on a Charge of Vagrancy—Other Cases.

The chief sufferer at yesterday morning's session of the Recorder's court was Rosa Odom, colored, who was given three months on a charge of vagrancy as it was her second offense. Maggie Whitfield, colored, on a similar charge was given 30 days at the farm.

In the case of Jesse Henneken, charged with assault on a female, judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs, and in the case of A. Liebman, violation of the driving ordinance, nol pros with leave was taken by the State.

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DIED.

WRIGHT—At the home of his parents at Winter Park, Friday, December 8th, 1916, JAMES A. WRIGHT, JR., son of James and Ida Wright, aged 13 years.

Funeral arrangements later.

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SALE OF STOCK BY COMMISSIONERS

By virtue of the power of sale conferred upon us by a decree of the Superior Court of Anson County, North Carolina, in an action therein pending entitled M. B. Smith, et al., vs. C. N. Evans, et al., we will, on Monday, December 18, 1916, at 12 M., at the Court House door in Wilmington, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash 23 shares of the Capital Stock of the Merchants and Marine Railway Company, of the par value of $2,300.00.

This sale is made subject to confirmation of the Court.

This, the 17th day of November, 1916.

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T. L. Caudle,
Commissioners.

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OFFICIAL NOTICE of COUNCIL MEETING

On Monday, December 11th, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the City Hall, the City Council will hold a special meeting for the purpose of inquiring into and investigating any irregularities or misconduct on the part of any City employes. All persons having any knowledge of any negligence, or incompetency, or misuse of property, or misconduct of any kind, upon the part of any official or other employe are urged to appear at that time before the Council and furnish such information as they may have. And all persons knowing others who may have such information are requested to furnish the Mayor of the City with name or names, to the end that such investigation may be full and comprehensive.

By order of the Council.

THOS. D. MEARES,
Clerk.

(Dispatch Copy.)

SOCIAL

Mrs. McConnell, of Charlotte, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Foster, No. 120 North Tenth street.

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Miss Willie Hughes, of Florence, S. C., is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. H. Stone, No. 604 North Fifth street.

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Miss Minnie Hardy, of Freeman, N. C., is the guest of Miss Annie L. Hargrove, at her home, No. 813 Grace street.

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Mrs. Fritz Hanson arrived in the city yesterday from New Hampshire, where she has been spending the past several months.

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Mr. W. L. Hellen and his bride, who was formerly Miss Mary B. Jacobs, have returned from their bridal trip to Florida.

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The Ladies' Aid Society of the Southside Baptist church will continue their bazaar at No. 23 South Front street through today and tonight.

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Mrs. A. F. Ray and Miss Hattie Ray, of Raleigh, have returned home after spending some time in the city as the guests of Mrs. J. T. Burke.

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Mrs. W. E. Herring, of Seattle, Wash., has returned to her home after spending some time here as the guest of her brother, Mr. J. R. Eddy.

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Mrs. Lena Tudor, who has been at the James Walker Memorial hospital for several months, has greatly improved, her many friends will be glad to learn.

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Mr. and Mrs. Marion Harriss have returned from their honeymoon to the North. Mrs. Harriss was formerly Miss Margaret Cronly, daughter of Mrs. Jos. Cronly, of this city.

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The physical education committee of the Y. W. C. A. will meet this morning at 11 o'clock in the living room of the association building. The members are asked to note the change in the time.

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Mr. N. V. Oldenbuttel and his bride, who before her marriage was Miss Cleone Pigford, have returned from their honeymoon and are at home to their friends at No. 1723 Orange street.

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Mrs. L. M. Bright, travelers' aid at the union station here, who was recently summoned to Philadelphia on account of the illness of her father, is expected to return to Wilmington today.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Clemmons, of Southport, have moved to the city. They are residing at No. 309 North Seventh street. Mr. Clemmons is employed at the shipyard of the Wilmington Iron Works.

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All mothers are cordially invited to bring their children from 4 to 9 years to the gymnasium of the Y. W. C. A. this morning at 10 o'clock to play games. The games will be such as are played at home.

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Mrs. Roger C. Weightman, of Washington, D. C., has returned to her home after spending some time here on a visit to friends and relatives. Mrs. Weightman is the mother of Lieut. R. C. Weightman, of the coast guard cutter Seminole.

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Mount Olive, N. C., Dec. 8.—The following invitation has been received here by friends of the contracting parties:

"Mr. and Mrs. Zach. Davis McWhortar
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage o ftheir daughter
Bershie
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Mr. Ansel Gilchrist Small
Tuesday morning, December 19th
at eight o'clock
Methodist Church
Wallace, North Carolina

The bride-to-be is well and favorably known here, where her father, Prof. Z. D. McWhorter, was for a number of years superintendent of the graded school.

The prospective groom is the efficient cashier of the Calypso branch of the Citizens' Bank.

GIVES COUNTY HIGH RATING

Dr. C. W. Stiles, of Public Health Service, Practically Doubles Rating Given Rural District.

Dr. C. W. Stiles, of the United States Public Health Service, following his annual inspection of the New Hanover county rural district—Cape Fear township—which was one of the three different districts selected in this section of the State by the department for the purpose of studying the effects of different methods of campaigns to produce better results in the improvement of sanitary conditions, declared last night the rating the district had practically doubled since it was selected two years ago.

In accordance with the grading method used by the department, the rural sanitary index for this district in 1914 was 31 on a basis of 100; in 1915 it went up to 45, and this year it was given a rating of 60. Dr. Stiles declared this was a remarkable showing, as the sanitary condition of the 25 homes studied had improved approximately 100 per cent in the two years.

In fixing the rating of Cape Fear township, the construction of closets and their location with reference to wells, and the history of the family as to diseases traceable to insanitary conditions and soil pollution, were all scored as well as a number of other things.

Dr. Stiles expressed himself as entirely satisfied with conditions here, and added that they had shown remarkable improvement. Dr. Stiles was formerly stationed in Wilmington at the Marine Hospital and stated last night that since his transfer to Washington, he had always wanted to return.

From here he will go tomorrow to Columbus county, but will return and spend Sunday here. Dr. Nesbitt entertained Dr. Stiles at his home last night, and also accompanied him on his trip to Cape Fear township. Dr. Arnold Stovall and Mr. George Grant were also of the party which accompanied Dr. Stiles to Castle Haynes.

WILMINGTON WOMEN HAVE SUFFRAGE LEAGUE

No Militant Demonstrations Attended Its Organization

Miss Watkins, of Little Rock, Ark., Presents Strong Argument for Equality at Polls in Charming and Able Fashion

"If I were not a suffragist I would be ashamed of myself," declared Miss Gertrude Watkins, of Little Rock, Ark., at the conclusion of her address in the interest of equal suffrage at the county court house in Wilmington last night, and while not all of the rather small audience of men and women who heard her subscribed to the same view, there are 30 men and women in this city who have enrolled as members of the New Hanover Equal Suffrage League, which was organized yesterday afternoon.

While there was an evident spirit of expectancy that something out of the ordinary was going to happen, as a matter of fact the meeting was devoid of excitement. Miss Watkins, who is an organizer and speaker for the National American Woman Suffrage Association, was not at all militant but impressed her audience as a charming woman, who knows how to talk in a very interesting manner.

"The only people of North Carolina, who do now have the ballott" said she with a winsome smile, "are idiots, lunatics, criminals, children and women. Idiots can't vote because they haven't any sense, the lunatics can't vote because they have lost their sense, criminals can't vote because they have forfeited their sense, children can't vote because they haven't yet acquired sense enough but why in the name of common sense can't women vote?" Her audience liked that and applauded.

Louis Goodman, Esq., was very happy in his introduction and was frank to say that he had no apologies to make. He took no stock in the statement made by a Wilmington woman that the coming of Miss Watkins was an "invasion of our defenseless city." Intellect knows no sex, said he, and he then reviewed the progress of suffrage for 50 years, declaring that President Wilson "may well thank his lucky stars that the women could vote this year in the West."

Woman suffrage is no fad and those who think so are not acquainted with the facts, said Miss Watkins and she proceeded to give some facts, showing how the cause had advanced until at the present time there are 4,000,000 women in 12 states of the American Union, who have the right to vote.

While there was bit of sarcasm in her remarks as she pointed out that the United States Supreme Court has held that women are people, she said it so kindly and so gently that not even the most ardent anti-suffragist could take offense. She exploded again that ancient theory that higher education would spoil women for their proper place in society and it must have been with much satisfaction that she quoted William Jennings Bryan to the effect that he had found on a visit to the penitentiary on a Saturday afternoon that 95 per cent. of the inmates were men and that the next day he went to church and found 95 per cent. of the congregation to be women. She didn't draw any conclusions but waited long enough to let that fact soak in and then proceeded to show the need for letting women have the ballot.

A brass band with its martial and stirring strains across the street almost drowned her voice as she reached the point where she explained that women can't get the ballot simply by asking for it. "If I don't talk loud enough, let me know and I will try to make you hear," she added as the band continued to pour out a mighty volume of noise.

She told those present that Congressman Yates Webb, of North Carolina, chairman of the Judiciary Committee of Congress, will cease to be such a strong anti-suffragist when the people "back home" let it be known they want women to have the ballot.

The view point of both men and women is needed in politics, she declared, and cited as one of the great needs of this country a children's bureau. She thought that children would receive more attention from Congress, if the women had a voice. She didn't object to millions being appropriated for encouraging hog raising but she did think that $165,000 was a pitiably small sum by comparison and yet this was all that the last Congress could appropriate for the children. "Are not children more important than hogs?" she asked.

"What men mean by saying that woman's place is in the home," said she as she proceeded to answer some of the arguments against woman suffrage "is not that but that it is in the house. That might have been true 50 years ago but it certainly doesn't hold now that women must stay at home all the time. The times have changed and today we have great utility organizations to furnish home conveniences and when we turn on the water it is half politics and when we turn on lights, that is half politics and why shouldn't women have a part in deciding about these things?"

She made a plea for the 9,000,000 working women of the United States, who by reason of changed economic conditions have to earn a living. It's only fair that they should have the vote, she thought.

She reviewed the constructive legislation that has been enacted in the States that have women suffrage and pointed out numerous helpful laws that have been passed, particularly those affecting the welfare of women.

Women are not office seekers and the fact that we give them the ballot does not mean that they must be elected to office, she declared. Efficiency should be the guiding principle. She didn't understand why there should be any difficulty because the ballot boxes are kept in unseemly places. It would be an easy matter to move them to decent places. It takes only ten minutes to cast a vote. That wouldn't keep women way from home. Women can serve on juries and have done so with much success. The fact that woman vote does not mean that men cannot be as chivalrous as they have ever been.

At the conclusion of the address, Miss Watkins answered many questions, explaining among other things why the English suffragists are so militant. She said that it is the custom over there while it isn't in America. Nobody disputed this and she then proceeded to explain the demonstration in Washington last week while President Wilson was making his address to Congress. This was by members of the Congressional Union, which is composed of young women, she said. "And when President Wilson made that statement about freeing the Porto Ricans, it certainly did seem an opportune time to display that banner calling attention to the need of freeing American women," she explained and smiled. The audience seemed to think so, too. At least nobody said it wasn't proper.

"Now you men, don't you think that banner they used in the big New York parade on which was inscribed the words, 'Be Game, give the women the ballot' describes it about right?" she asked. Nobody seemed to doubt but that it was. Some of the men present wanted to ask questions but they were afraid to speak up for fear they would be accused of heckling. They wrote out their questions and sent them up. Miss Watkins answered them, seemingly to their satisfaction.

Miss Watkins addressed a meeting of women at the club rooms of Sorosis on North Third street yesterday afternoon at which the New Hanover Equal Suffrage League was organized with the following officers: Chairman, Mrs. O. A. Wiggins; vice chairman, Mrs. M. C. Hammond; secretary, Mrs. M. L. Stover; treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Dauer. Quite a number present at the meeting last night enrolled as members, the total enrollment now being about 30 including representative men and women of the city.

For the past two years there has been a woman's study circle in Wilmington for the study of the question of woman suffrage. That it has borne fruit was shown by the interest manifested yesterday.

Miss Watkins leaves for Fayetteville this morning and will go from there to Raleigh, Greensboro and Durham. When she concludes her itinerary, she is going home to spend Christmas. She campaigned in West Virginia recently. She may try South Carolina next.

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URGES PRACTICAL EDUCATION

Prof. Noble at Well Attended Community Meeting at Masonboro School, Speaks on Subject of "Waste"

Speaking last night to an audience of more than 200 persons who attended the community meeting held at the Masonboro school on the subject of "Waste," Prof. M. C. S. Noble, of the department of pedagogy of the University of North Carolina, declared much time was wasted in the public schools by not teaching the things that bore a practical relation to the problems of every day life. Too much time, the speaker declared, is spent in teaching unnecessary thing and subjects the pupils didn't want to study. He added that the complaint was often made that pupils didn't take a serious interest in their studies, this he pointed out was because they were not given things they were interested in to study. The speaker was introduced by Prof. Washington Catlett.

Continuing, Professor Noble elaborated this thought by saying that the girls in the public school ought to be given more courses in cooking and other domestic science subjects, while the boys ought to have a chance to study vocational and industrial subjects.

Turning from the problem of the school to that of community life in general, the speaker declared that there is an enormous amount of wasted time spent in fault-finding, that time was wasted in letting the land of rural communities go untilled and unproductive, that instead of wasting their time in such a way the people of the neighborhood ought to co-operate and talk over their communal interests.

An address was also made by Woodus Kellum, Esq., chairman of the Board of Education, who spoke of his interest in the school work of the city and county and his desire to promote the efficiency and welfare of the schools in every way possible.

At the conclusion of the foregoing addresses, Supt. J. J. Blair was called upon and made a short plea against the waste of game and song birds, through indiscriminate slaughter.

In the afternoon at 3 o'clock, Professor Noble gave a very interesting talk on an educational subject to the members of the Mothers' Club at the Acorn Branch school.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Among the arrivals at The Orton yesterday were: Rudolph Duffy, Catherine Lake; C. D. Koonce, Charlotte; Jackson Greer, Whiteville; Sol Isaac, Goldsboro.

—Among the arrivals at The Wilmington yesterday were: W. H. Langston, Goldsboro; J. B. Martin, J. B. McGurley, Fort Caswell; A. L. Alexander, Charlotte; W. D. Douglass, Charlotte.

—Mr. Neal O. McDuffie, formerly of the Lassiter-McDuffie Company, of this city, now traveling with the Ajax tire people from their New York headquarters, is spending a few days in the city on a business trip and is receiving the "glad hand" from a host of friends in Wilmington.

—Mr. H. L. Fennell, the local distributor, returned yesterday morning from Toledo, Ohio, where he spent several days as the guest of the Willys-Overland Co., at a big convention of Overland dealers from all over this section. Mr. Fennell visited, of course, the mammoth factory of the Overland company and gathered at first hand something of this wonderful organization and the wonderful car which it makes. He is enthusiastic over his trip and the outlook for Overland distribution in the future.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Justice G. W. Bornemann entertained the members of the High School club who held a meeting last night at the Y. M. C. A. with a number of musical selections. At the conclusion of the exercises, the club voted to make him an honorary member of the organization.

London, Dec. 9.—Viscount Torington, a lieutenant in royal naval volunteer reserve, is officially reported missing.

SUNDAY SERVICES

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. A. D. McClure D. D., pastor.—In the absence of the pastor, Rev. W. M. Baker will preach at 11 in the morning and Mr. Hinnant will conduct the night service at 8. Sabbath school at 9:45. Junior Christian Endeavor at 3:30. Intermediate and Senior Christian Endeavor services at 7:15. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8. Seats free to all.

Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church, East Wilmington, Rev. H. W. Koelling, pastor.—Sabbath school in the morning at 10:30. Preaching at 11:15. Christian Endeavor at 7:30 in the evening. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. A cordial welcome to all.

Harnett street Mission, Eighth and Harnett streets, Rev. W. M. Baker, evangelist in charge.—Sabbath school in the morning at 9:30. Preaching each second and fourth Sabbaths at 7:30 in the evening.

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. John M. Wells, D. D., pastor.—Morning service at 11. Evening service at 8. Sunday school at 9:45. Christian Endeavor in the evening at 7:00. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. Pews are free and all are cordially invited to attend all services.

Immanuel Presbyterian church, at Front and Queen streets, Rev. Thos. P. Allen, pastor.—Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30 by the pastor. Sunday school at 3 in the afternoon. Christian Endeavor society at 7 in the evening. Brotherhood meeting Tuesday evening at 8. Ladies' Aid Society meets Tuesday evening at 8. Mid-week prayer and praise service Wednesday evening at 8. All the members are expected to attend these services and meet the new pastor. Visitors will be cordially received.

Bethany Presbyterian church.—Services in the morning at 11. Sunday school in the afternoon at 3. Christian Endeavor at 7:30 in the evening. Residents of the neighborhood are cordially invited to attend the services.

Winter Park Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Powell, pastor.—Sunday services in the evening at 7:45. Sunday school at 3:30. Weekly prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:45. The public is cordially invited.

Delgado Presbyterian church.—Sunday services in the evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 10:15 in the morning. Weekly prayer service Thursday evening at 7:30. Residents of the community are invited to all services.

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Supply of New Money.

The People's Savings Bank has received a supply of new coins for the Christmas season including nickels, dimes and quarters. A supply of new gold coins has also been ordered. This bank will pay all checks in new money during the holiday season.

Death of Young Son.

Many friends will sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wright in the death of their 13-year-old son, James A. Wright, Jr., which occurred yesterday at their home at Winter Park. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

RAILWAY LEGISLATION LIKELY TO BE DELAYED

(Continued from Page One.)

revealed during the present session of Congress.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, said tonight that conferences already have taken place between Brotherhood and Federation leaders but that no concrete plan had been worked out. Hope exists, he said, that some plan can be drawn that will make congressional action unnecessary.

"Organized labor", he said, "always will oppose any form of compulsory arbitration."

If a scheme satisfactory to the workers is drafted, it is understood, it will be submitted to representatives of the railroads and other employers and to the President. Approval of it probably would mean that Congress would eliminate the compulsory arbitration feature from any legislation enacted.

Plans approved by the President for the introduction of his railway program. Congress contemplate no new bills. All of the proposals, it was agreed today between Senate leaders and Representative Adamson, chairman of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce committee will be offered as amendment to the House bill now before the Senate.

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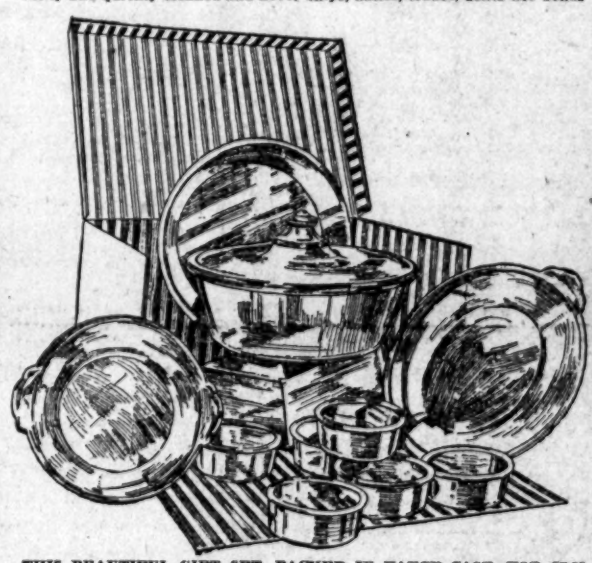
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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK SPOT AT 19.15

Cotton Market Breaks Over a Cent a Pound—May Sells at 19.34—Net Loss of 73 to 93 Points.

New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton broke over a cent a pound here today, with May selling at 19.34, or 102 points under last night's closing price and 221 points below the high record last month. That delivery closed at 19.46 and the general list closed unsettled at a net loss of 73 to 93 points.

The excited general selling movement seemed to be started by a combination of weak Liverpool cables and rather larger ginning figures than expected. The opening was weak and active months sold 35 to 42 points net lower right after the call.

A quick rally of 15 or 18 points on Liverpool buying and support from trade sources met even heavier offering from Wall Street, Western, local and Southern sources. Spot orders were uncovered at the decline grew more rapid, and for a time the market appeared to be practically demoralized with January and March selling over $6 per bale below the high level. The excitement then subsided somewhat and rallies of approximately $2 per bale occurred.

Private reports in the week had a ginning of 10,300,000 bales to December 1 and the official report of 10,359,346 bales but did seem far out of line with these figures. No change was reported in the news from the South and many attributed a good deal of the selling to nervousness over general trade and political conditions.

Cotton futures table:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	....	19.57	18.95	18.90
Jan.	19.65	19.71	18.90	19.01
March	19.84	19.93	19.10	19.25
May	19.97	19.97	19.34	19.46
July	20.01	20.19	19.35	19.50
Oct.	19.10	18.32	18.61	18.65

Spot quiet; middling uplands 19.15. No sales.

HESTER'S WEEKLY STATEMENT.

Comparisons are to actual dates, not to close of corresponding weeks. In thousands bales:

In sight for week, 487.
In sight same seven days last year, 451.
In sight for the month, 542.
In sight same date last year, 550.
In sight for season, 7,643.
I nsight same date last year, 6,184.
Port receipts for season, 4,327.
Port receipts same date last year, 3,466.
Overland to mills and Canada for season, 735.
Overland same date last year, 460.
Southern mill takings for season, 1,745.
Southern mill takings same date last year, 1,398.
Interior stocks in excess of August 1st, 635.
In terior stocks last year 859.
Foreign exports for week, 138.
Foreign exports same seven days last year, 94.
Foreign exports for season, 2,615.
Foreign exports same date last year, 1,904.
Northern spinners' takings and Canada for week, 95.
Northern spinners' takings same seven days last year, 92.
Northern spinners' takings for season, 1,332.
Northern spinners' takings to same date last year, 1,154.

Statement of World's Visible Supply.

Total visible this week, 5,416.
Total visible last week, 5,147.
Total visible same date last year, 5,620.
Of this the total American this week, 4,384.
Total American last week, 4,244.
Total American last year, 4,372.
All other kinds this week, 1,032.
All other kinds last week, 903.
All other kinds last year, 1,248.
Visible in the United States this week, 2,725.
Visible in the United States this date last year, 2,850.
Visible in other countries this week, 2,691.
Visible in other countries this date last year 2,770.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 19.63; receipts 4,277; exports 16,418; sales 912; stock 435,690.

Galveston—Middling 19.50; receipts 13,081; exports 3,500; sales 1,105; stock 430,216.

Mobile—Middling 19.25; receipts 370; sales 20; stock 21,132.

Savannah—Middling 20.00; receipts 5,835; exports 800; stock 219,561.

Charleston—Middling 19.50; receipts 1,136; stock 80,620.

Wilmington—Middling 19¼; receipts 233; stock 46,898.

Norfolk—Middling 19.13; receipts 3,696; sales 530; stock 105,513.

Baltimore—Receipts 261; stock 8,505.

Boston—Middling 20.50; receipts 348; exports 1,639; stock 8,254.

Philadelphia—Middling 19.40; receipts 161; stock 1,604.

New York—Middling 19.15; receipts 193; exports 3,134; stock 142,510.

Minor Ports—Receipts 6,340; stock 62,694.

Atlanta—(Semi-weekly)—Stock 81,075.

Total today—Receipts 35,931; exports 25,491; stock 1,569,219.

Total for week—Receipts 259,976; exports 134,815.

Total for season—Receipts 4,827,412; exports 2,615,455.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 19.05; receipts 10,283; shipments 10,543; sales 2,733; stock 283,948.

Memphis—Middling 19.75; receipts 8,240; shipments 4,405; sales 500; stock 277,730.

Augusta—Middling 19.63; receipts 2,324; shipments 1,376; sales 299; stock 146,433.

St. Louis—Receipts 2,314; shipments 2,096; stock 29,805.

Cincinnati—Receipts 2,564; shipments 446; stock 24,212.

Little Rock—Middling 19.38; receipts 1,003; shipments 1,774; sales 1,774; stock 56,032.

Dallas—Middling 18.45; sales 3,666.

Montgomery—Middling 18.75.

Total today—Receipts 27,382; shipments 20,643; stock 817,260.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Dec. 8.—Raw sugar easy; centrifugal 5.69; molasses 4.82; refined quiet; fine granulated 7.30.

Coffee—Spot dull; Rio 7s, 9¼; Santos 4s, 10¾.

WEEKLY COTTON SUMMARY

Market Extremely Unsettled—Excited And Heavy Selling Causes Sensational Break

New York, Dec. 8.—The cotton market has been extremely unsettled during the last week with the increasing nervousness of sentiment culminating in a sensational break today. Reports of an improving spot demand were followed by moderate rallies during the middle of the week, but advances seemed to meet renewed liquidation and the selling became very heavy and excited following the publication of the Census report today. May contracts broke $11 per bale under the high record of November 27 and the market was still very nervous and unsettled at the close.

The ginning of 10,359,346 bales to December 1 evidently caused some revision of minimum crop views. This doubtless accounted partly for the effort to liquidate long contracts before the appearance of the official crop estimate next Monday, while sentiment also seemed to be unsettled by nervousness over submarine activities. One of the private crop estimates during the middle of the week had indicated a lint yield of a little under 11,000,000 bales and it may have been buyers on such a view of the crop that started the selling movement on the Census report. Private cables have reported a small nervous market in Liverpool. Reports of an advance in ocean freight rates and higher marine war risks have been considered unfavorable features in the export outlook, while the sudden tightening of money rates has undoubtedly contributed to the generally nervous feeling.

MARINE.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Quito (Br.), 2,153 tons, Anderson, Aelx. Sprunt & Son.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 2,283 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 8.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—48¾.

ROSIN—$5.70 and $5.45.

TAR—$2.60-10½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$4.00, $4.00 and $3.00.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 53c.; rosin, $5.55 and $5.45; tar, $2.30-9 1-2c.; crude turpentine, $3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine	1
Rosin	4
Tar	102
Crude Turpentine	2

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 24 barrels; rosin, 44 barrels; tar 140 barrels; crude turpentine, 28 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—19½c; quotations same day last year, 11⅝.

Receipts—200 bales; same day last year, 365 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 69,617 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 130,272 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Dec. 8, 1916.

Atlantic Coast Line—199 bales cotton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 4 barrels rosin; 31 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—1 bale cotton.

Str. Thelma—65 barrels tar; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Schr. Joseph D.—6 barrels tar.

Total—200 bales cotton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 4 barrels rosin; 102 barrels tar; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 8.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 50c to 55c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$1.40 to $1.50 per bu.

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22½; first class wool, 28 to 35; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

SHEEP—Old, good quality, gross, 3 1-2 to 3c pound. Lambs, best quality, 6 to 7c pound.

HIDES—Green salt, 15c. to 16c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Od hams, 23 to 25c.; sides and shoulders, 18c. to 19c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX — Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 27½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 25c head.

EGGS—35c. to 36c. dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 8.—North Carolina peanuts; new crop, farmers' stock, fancy handpicked, $1.07; No. 1, machine, $1.00 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 66c; fancy handpicked, 60c; No. 1 machine picked, 55c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 8.—Spanish—Farmers' stock: Market, steady. New stock, $1.37½ per bu.

Virginias — Farmers' stock: Market firm.

New stock—Fancy Jumbo, 4 1-4c per lb.; Extra Prime, 3 3-4c per lb; Prime, 3 1-2c per lb; Shelling stock, 3c to 3 1-4c per lb.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton goods markets were unsettled today following the break in cotton. Yarns were quiet and wool markets were higher. Sales of worsted yarns were reported at the highest prices ever paid for them to mills. Ready-to-wear lines were less active.

STOCKS AGAIN IRREGULAR

Foreign Relations One of the Causes. Money Conditions Easy—High Grade Issues Gain.

New York, Dec. 8.—Foreign relations and other external considerations again accounted for today's irregular and occasionally heavy market, which also was affected by recessions in cotton and grains. Mogey conditions were easier, call loans holding over till next Monday being freely made at 4 per cent.

Estimates of the week's local money movement varied widely but a partial probably substantial ratification of the adverse conditions of the past five weeks is probable. Another large consignment of gold was received from Canada.

Stock trading was attended by frequent intervals of lassitude. There was much less activity in United States Steel and the low priced rails, the movement shifting to high grade or dividend paying issues, which made temporary gains of 1 to 2 points.

Shipping shares were more conspicuous and stronger than at any recent time, with Atlantic Gulf and West Indies at the new maximum of 147 3-4 on its advance of 11 3-4 points. Mercantile marines, United Fruit and Pacific Mail also were better by 2 to 3 points.

Munitions and equipments of the familiar variety were alternately higher and lower, Bethlehem Steel making an extreme advance of 39 points. Coppers wre under constant restraint. Chile falling 1 1-2 with another decline of four points in the bonds and heaviness in Utah and Anaconda. Irregular rallies in the specialties marked the close.

Concessions in international bonds included a new low record for Paris 6s. Total sales of bonds par value amounted to $4,225,000.

United States bonds unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers	34⅝
American Beet Sugar	106½
American Can	62⅛
American Car & Foundry	77⅛
American Cotton Oil	54
American Locomotive	93¼
American Smelting	116
American Sugar	115⅝
American Tel. & Tel.	127⅛
American Tobacco	218
American Zinc	60⅝
Anaconda Copper	98
Atchison	105¼
Atlantic Coast Line	122
Baldwin Locomotive	80⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	85⅝
Bethlehem Steel	649
Canadian Pacific	167
Central Leather	109¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	67⅝
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	93½
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	39¼
Colorado Fuel & Iron	56½
Consolidated Gas	135
Corn Products	23⅞
Crucible Steel	85⅝
Cuba Cane Sugar	67¼
Erie	37⅞
General Electric	180¼
Great Northern pfd	117¼
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	44
Goodrich	69¼
Illinois Central	107½
Inspiration Copper	69½
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	117¼
International Nickel	47⅞
International Paper	65
Kansas City Southern	27⅝
Kennecott Copper	56⅞
Lehigh Valley	82
Louisville & Nashville	132
Liggett & Myers	290
Lorillard Co.	232
Maxwell Motors	75⅛
Mexican Petroleum	109
National Lead	67
New York Central	107⅛
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford	57⅛
Norfolk & Western	140
Northern Pacific	111¼
Pennsylvania	56
Ray Consolidated Copper	33¼
Reading	111
Republic Iron & Steel	88
Seaboard Air Line	17
Seaboard Air Line pfd	39⅝
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	81
Studebaker Corporation	121
Southern Pacific	99
Southern Railway	31⅛
Southern Railway pfd	69⅝
Texas Company	204
Union Pacific	146⅞
United Fruit	161½
United States Rubber	67⅝
United States Steel	125⅛
United States Steel pfd	121⅝
Utah Copper	123⅜
Virginia Caro. Chem.	49⅝
Wabash pfd "B"	21⅝
Western Union	102½
Westinghouse Electric	61⅝

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 8.—Spot cotton easier, good middling 12.15; middling 12.05; low middling 11.89. Sales 6,000 bales; 600 for speculation and export; receipts 36,000 bales.

Futures easy. December 11.63; December and January 11.63; January and February 11.67; February and March 11.73; March and April 11.79; April and May 11.84; May and June 11.89; June and July 11.89; July and August 11.88; August and September 11.55; September and October 11.05; October and November 10.89; November and December 10.79.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Dec. 8.—Beeves, firm; steers 6.75 to 10.25; bulls 4.50 to 7.50; cows 3.35 to 8.75.

Calves—Steady; veals 10.00 to 14.50; culls 7.50 to 9.00; grassers 4.50 to 5.50; fed calves 6.00; wester n7.25; yearlings 4.00 to 5.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Steadp; sheep 5.00 to 8.00; culls 2.00 to 4.75; lambs 11.25 to 13.25; culls 9.00 to 10.00.

Hogs—Steady; light to heavy 9.50 to 10.10; pigs 9.00 to 9.50; rough 8.75.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 10.—Cotton seed was lower under selling by refiners and scattered liquidation on the severe break in cotton and heaviness in other commodity markets. Final prices closed net losses of 10 to 16 points. Sales 40,400 barrels.

The market closed steady. Spot 12.60 bid; December 12.70 to 12.74; January 12.60 to 12.61; February 12.54 to 12.56; March 12.50 to 12.52; April 12.52 to 12.55; May 12.58 to 12.59; June 12.59 to 12.62; July 12.62 to 12.63.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

December 9, 1916.

Meteorological data for the day ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 56 degrees; at 8 P. M. 62 degrees; maximum, 71 degrees; minimum, 47 degrees; mean, 59 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .00 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 2.8 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Rain Saturday; colder central and west, much colder at night. Sunday fair and colder.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 9, 1916.

Sun rises .. .. .7:06 A. M.
Sun sets .. .. .5:03 P. M.
Day's length .. .. .9 hrs. 57 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	9:37	9:48	4:26	5:04
Southport	7:42	7:52	1:18	1:58
Masonboro Inlet	7:31	7:41	12:58	1:38

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

December 8, 1916.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Temperature: Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	42	30	.0
Asheville	rain	58	52	.0
Atlanta	rain	66	56	1.22
Augusta	cldy	74	54	.0
Baltimore	clear	53	..	.0
Birmingham	cldy	62	60	.86
Boston	clear	44	32	.0
Charleston	cldy	72	54	.0
Charlotte	pt cldy	70	52	.0
Chicago	snow	42	42	.48
Galveston	clear	56	56	.38
Jaxville	cldy	78	62	.0
Memphis	cldy	60	56	.72
Mobile	cldy	72	62	.50
Montgomery	cldy	68	58	.26
N. Orleans	cldy	74	64	.88
New York	clear	46	36	.0
Oklahoma	clear	38	28	.0
Palestine	clear	60	44	.30
Pittsburg	rain	70	52	.0
Raleigh	pt cldy	64	48	.0
Savannah	cldy	78	60	.0
Shreveport	clear	48	48	.60
St. Louis	snow	36	36	.98
Washington	cldy	64	40	.0

10,359,346 BALES GINNED

This Compares With 9,703,612 Bales Up to December 1, 1915—Census Bureau Issues Report.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Cotton ginned to December 1 amounted to 10,359,346 running bales, including 177,662 round bales and 101,620 bales of sea island, the Census Bureau announced today.

Last year 9,703,612 running bales, including 93,361 round bales, and 77,165 of sea island were ginned to December 1.

Ginnings by states prior to December 1, follow:

Alabama	504,714
Arkansas	999,184
California	19,868
Florida	46,888
Georgia	1,694,398
Louisiana	420,575
Mississippi	726,205
Missouri	51,073
North Carolina	567,139
Oklahoma	743,875
South Carolina	832,141
Tennessee	318,086
Texas	3,404,344
Virginia	23,161
All others	7,587

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

New York, Dec. 8.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

"Consumption continues to over-tax production and in some respects even greater velocity than heretofore is evidenced, numerous lines having all and more than they can handle. Yet there are a few halting signs, such, for instance, as less feverishness in pig iron, diminished buying of ome food products that have been subjected to boycotts and complaints of warm weather retarding retail trade in seasonable merchandise. But over and beyond such cross currents as have developed are evidences that holiday buying of enormous proportions, that numerous industries are impeded by inability to get sufficient cars either for receiving or sending out products, that jobbers as well as wholesale purveyors of staple merchandise are making record breaking sales, that wages as well as dividends keep going up and that investment securities continue to be absorbed on a large scale.

"Weekly bank clearings, $6,679,578,000."

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Hogs, strong at 10 to 15 points under yesterday's average; bulk 9.35 to 9.85; light 8.80 to 9.70; mixed 9.25 to 10.05; heavy 9.45 to 10.10; rough 9.45 to 9.60; pigs 6.75 to 8.65.

Cattle—Strong; native beef cattle 7.00 to 12.75; western steers 7.00 to 10.50; stockers and feeders 4.60 to 7.85; cows and heifers 3.85 to 10.25; calves 9.50 to 13.25.

Sheep—Strong; wethers 8.50 to 9.50; ewes 5.00 to 8.75; lambs 10.25 to 13.00.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Dec. 8.—Turpentine firm, 49¾c; sales 246; receipts 561; shipments 176; stock 22,350.

Rosin—Firm; sales 1,694; receipts 1,189; shipments 953; stock 93,402. Quote: A B C D E, 6.20; F, 6.22½; G, 6.25; H, 6.20 to 6.30; I, 6.25 to 6.35; K, 6.30 to 6.45; M, 6.40 to 6.50; N, 6.80 to 6.85; WG, 7.00; WW, 7.20.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Dec. 8.—Mercantile paper 4; sterling, 60 day bills 4.71½; commercial 60 day bills on banks 4.71¼; commercial 60 day bills 4.71; demand 4.75⅝; cables 4.76⅝. Bar silver 75¼; Mexican dollars 58. Government bonds steady; railroad bonds easy. Time loans firm, 60 days 4¼ to 4½; 90 days 4 to 4¼; six months 4 to 4¼.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 8.—Capt. M. C. Leach, well known through the State, died at his home here at 1:30 o'clock, aged 73 years. The funeral will be held at Pittsboro Saturday.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective Nov. 12, 1916. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 3:40 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:15 A. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 62 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:20 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler; Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager. T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

WEEK DAYS

EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter Park	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsville	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	.....	6:15 A.M.	6:26 A.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	7:20 A.M.	7:31 A.M.
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	7:40 A.M.	7:50 A.M.	8:01 A.M.
6:50 A.M.	6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	8:30 A.M.	8:41 A.M.
8:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	.....	.....	9:25 A.M.	9:36 A.M.
8:20 A.M.	8:20 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:11 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
1:10 P.M.	1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	11:45 P.M.	1:50 P.M.	2:01 P.M.
1:55 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	.....	.....	2:25 P.M.	2:36 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	.....	3:00 P.M.	3:11 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	.....	3:50 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	4:30 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	.....	.....	5:10 P.M.
4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	*6:40 P.M.	!7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

*Does not go beyond Station No. 3 on Beach. !Leaves from Station No. 3,

SUNDAYS

EASTBOUND: Leave "electric Center," for Winter Park	Leave "electric Center," for Wrightsville	Leave "electric Center," for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	!7:05 A.M.	7:15 A.M.	7:26 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:25 A.M.	9:36 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	.....	10:20 A.M.	10:31 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
1:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
2:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	1:45 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	2:06 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	2:45 P.M.	2:55 P.M.	3:06 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:15 P.M.	3:25 P.M.	3:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.	4:15 P.M.	4:25 P.M.	4:36 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:45 P.M.	4:55 P.M.	5:06 P.M.
5:00 P.M.	5:00 P.M.	5:00 P.M.	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	5:45 P.M.	5:55 P.M.	6:06 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	*6:40 P.M.	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	!7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

*Does not go beyond Station No. 3 on Beach. !Leaves from Station No. 3

FREIGHT SCHEDULE (DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.)

Leave Ninth and Orange Streets, 3:30 P. M.
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Account Christmas and New Year Holiday Excursion. Tickets, including meals and berth on steamship, will be sold Thursday, Dec. 21, limited returning until Jan. 7.

$38.10—New Orleans, La.
Account Annual Meeting Western Fruit Jobbers' Association. Tickets will be sold Jan. 27 and 28, limited Feb. 5.

Proportionate Fares from Other Points on the ATLANTIC COAST LINE, "The Standard Railroad of the South."
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NOTE TO GERMANY APPEARS POSSIBLE

May be Asked to Interpret the Submarine Pledges Made to the United States.

COURSE STILL UNDECIDED

President Has Given Careful Study to Evidence Regarding the Several Vessels Which Have Recently Been Attacked

Washington, Dec. 8.—More definite information as to the facts involved in recent activities by German submarines has brought the situation to a point where a note to Germany designed to clear up any doubt as to the interpretation of the Berlin government's submarine pledges to the United States appears to be among the possibilities of the near future.

President Wilson has given careful attention to the evidence in the cases of several of the vessels recently attacked but has given no indication of what his decision will be. It was stated positively today that no course had been decided upon, but beyond this and a reiteration that the American government had not in any way altered its stand on the submarine question, officials declined to make any comment.

The cases in the forefront of consideration are those of the British steamers Arabia and Marina, both of which Germany contends were believed to be transports in the naval service of the Allies.

During the day official information reached the State Department establishing that the Marina, on which six Americans were lost, was in no sense a transport, and an inquiry was addressed to Great Britain for information as the actual status of the Arabia.

While administration officials remain silent, those in close touch with affairs in Teutonic diplomatic circles deprecate any suggestion that remains between the two countries are approaching a crisis. They point out that Germany already has offered to make amends if her submarine commanders are shown to have been mistaken in considering the vessels transports, and declare their knowledge of the intentions of the Berlin government precludes the possibility that any deliberation violation of the submarine pledges has occurred.

On the other hand the United States said in the Sussex note that mistakes that endangered American lives on peaceful vessels were not to be tolerated.

FRENCH BATTLESHIP AND ALL ABOARD BELIEVED LOST

Not Heard From Since November 24. Had Over 700 Men Aboard.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The French battleship Suffern, which left November 24 for L'Orient, a French naval station in Brittany, has not been heard from since and the minister of marine considers the vessel lost with all on board.

The Suffern had a staff of 18 officers and her crew numbered 700 men.

The Suffern was reported to have been damaged by shell fire when the Allies tried to force the Dardanelles and she was sent to Toulon for repairs. She was of 12,750 tons and carried a normal complement of 750 men. The vessel's length was 410 feet and her armament included four 12-inch rifles, ten 6.4-inch guns, and eight 4-inch guns.

THREATENED TO QUIT THE FEDERAL COUNCIL

Memorial From Southern Presbyterian Church Presented

Attitude of Council on Political and Social Matters Will be Explained by Committee Before General Assembly.

St. Louis, Dec. 8.—The Southern Presbyterian church threatened to withdraw from the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America in a memorial presented at the quadrennial convention today by the Rev. W. S. Jacobs, of Houston, Texas. The memorial had been adopted by the General Assembly of the Southern Church and stated that the activities of the Federal Council in international matters and in social reforms were inconsistent with the object of the Federation and subversive o fthe principles of separation of church and state.

In presenting the memorial Mr. Jacobs said the action of the Federal Council in political and social matters "placed a stick in the hands of the Roman Catholic church to use on the head of Protestantism."

The council adopted a resolution declaring that there was no conflict between the declared purpose of the church federation and its activities in behalf of social reform and that the memorial from the Southern church was based on a misconception. The president was authorized to appoint a committee to attend the next General Assembly of the Southern church and explain the council's attitude.

Gifford Pinchot, chairman of the commission on church and country life, in reporting the results of a survey of rural churches in Ohio said that the churches in the country ordinarily compete rather than co-operate.

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Secretary Redfield In Report to Congress Sets Forth Advantages That Will Accure on Restoration of Peace

Washington, Dec. 8.—Unprecedented growth of the country's foreign trade, the commercial advantages which will accrue from peace and the opportunity presented for a heavier export business and greater investments abroad are set forth today by Secretary Redfield, of the Department of Commerce in his annual report. The report gives figures showing the nation's trade expansion of two years and sums up the country's commercial dominance as follows:

"Our foreign indebtedness has been reduced possibly three billions. We have loaned abroad a total sum since the war began on August 1, 1914, estimated at $1,500,000,000, and increasing. We are the wealthiest nation in the world and the most prosperous one. We have not wasted our men or means in war. Relatively to our fiscal power today our debts are trifling. Nations less wealthy than some of our individual states bear a heavier burden of debt and interest than we.

"We are the only one of the great industrial peoples at peace. Nations turn to us for goods and means with which to pay us for the goods. None of us, in our wildest financial fancies five years ago, would have dreamed that things could be as now they are.

"To protect our reserve of gold, which is the ultimate base on which our domestic credits rest, we must maintain our export trade and must continue to increase loans and investments abroad. The work of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce is devoted to these important duties. The report of the chief of that service shows its extraordinary growth and effectiveness. In thousands of business offices its aid is acknowledged and welcomed. Never has our government put at the disposal of our business and industry the helpful facilities that are now provided.

"It is of national importance that the great service which shows such practical results should be given the men and money necessary to carry on its great work even more efficiently. The force of commercial attaches should be enlarged. Further sums should be provided for the foreign traveling service. The Department acknowledges with keen appreciation the aid which Congress has given. The funds for promoting the foreign trade of the country are now five times larger than they were four years ago. The results are many times greater than the increase in funds."

PROTEST ON GROUNDS OF HUMANITY MADE IN BEHALF OF BELGIANS

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times," says the letter to the diplomats in part, "civilized powers have intervened in favor of oppressed peoples. Many times they have given protection to persecuted populations driven from their firesides and yet these peoples were not carried off into slavery. It remained for the frightful war, of which we were the first victims, to offer such a spectacle to the world. We are persuaded that Belgium will not have appealed in vain for the aid of your government to protect it from a pitiless edict that violates at the same time the rights of man and the fourth convention of The Hague, with all the laws of humanity."

The letter to General von Bissing begins as follows:

"Excellency, it seemed that no pain could be added to those with which we have been weighted down since the occupation of our country. Our liberties have been abolished, our industry and commerce annihilated, our raw material and instruments of labor exported, our public fortune ruined, destition succeeding easy circumstances.

"Privations, anguish and bereavement, all that we have endured without other revolt than the mute protestations of our souls. We suffered in common and our common pains lightened the burden of our individual misery. But now new violence falls upon and tears apart our families. Hundreds, thousands of peaceable citizens of all ages and conditions—a civil population—have been abruptly and brutally snatched from their firesides and deported into Germany.

"Hundreds, thousands of women, children and the aged have been abandoned, deprived of support and given over to the anguish of a separation, the duration of which no one can foresee. The spectacle of their dispatch is such that rather than confront it, the recruiting soldiers refuse to weeping wives and despairing relatives the consolation of a last parting."

MR. WILSON AND SAMUEL GOMPERS MAKE ADDRESSES

Spoke Last Night Before Conference on Social Insurance

Washington, Dec. 8.—Advocacy by President Wilson of a better "social understanding", and a warning by Samuel Gompers, president of American Federation of Labor, against governmental regulation of the normal activities and personal relationships of the people, featured tonight's session of the Conference on Social Insurance here under auspices of the International Association of Industrial Accident Board and Commissions.

President Wilson declared that the nation is turning its attention "more and more to these thngs which affect the daily life and fortunes of the rank and file", and is getting into closer touch with the daily lives of the men and women in it.

PATROLMAN WAS ROBBER

Admits Holding Up Express Wagon and Securing About $30,000

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 8.—Albert J. Griffith, a patrolman on the Los Angeles police force for four years, confessed today, according to the police, that he was the robber who held up an express wagon on a busy street and made off with about $5,000 in cash and $34,000 in checks, drafts and other banking papers. Most of the money was recovered.

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600 CAROLINA POPULAR SHADE trees, 300 bearing Scuppernong grape vines to be sold for less than cost of raising them. Five varieties of peaches; five varieties of pears, Concord grapes, apples and rose bushes. W. J. Kirkham & Co. de 9-2t*

BUTTER MILK FOR COOKING AND separated sour milk, 15c gallon at store, or delivered at 20c gallon. Warren's. de 9-1t*

SATURDAY SPECIALS — LARGE fresh eggs, 37c dozen; fine grape fruit, 5c; extra large grape fruit, 3 for 25c; Florida oranges, 25c dozen; full cream cheese, 31c pound; head rice 6½c pound; new mixed nuts 20c pound; White House coffee, 30c pound; best patent flour, 64c sack; White Top table peaches, 20c can; Old Virginia fish roe, 15c can; fancy corn, 10c can; fancy tomatoes, 10c can can; Cloverbloom butter, 42c lb.; sweet potatoes, 20c peck; Bermuda onions, 5c; cocoanuts, 8c; Lipton's tea ¼-lb. can, 17c; Tall Pet milk, 10c can; large fancy prunes, 15c lb.; Rumford powder, 21c lb.; 3 packages macaroni, 25c; corned pork shoulders 18c pound; best lard, 21c lb.; compound, 16½c; Log Cabin syrup, 48c and 90c can. We also have a fine lot of Sunshine and National Biscuit cakes and crackers. None of these specials will be sold to other stores. Prices for cash only. Phone 853, C. H. Bornemann. de 9-1t*

LOST—FRIDAY AFTERNOON, BEtween 310 Chestnut and 311 South Front, small purse containing six dollar bills and small change. Please return to 310 Chestnut. de 9-1t*

DRESSED CHICKENS AND TURKEYS. Extra quality dressed chickens with giblets; choice New River oysters, 35 cents quart; country butter, 35 cents; fancy celery, 10 cents. Batson's Meat Market. Phone 72. de 9-1t

U. C. T. ATTENTION—THE REGULAR meeting of Cape Fear Council will be held this, Saturday, evening, November 9th, at 7:15. All members are urgently requested to be present. Fraternally, W. C. Smith, Secretary. de 9-1t

YOU NEED NOT BOYCOTT LUMBER because the Cantwell Lumber Company is selling lumber cheaper than ever in the past three years. Phone No. 10. Oldest retail dealers. de 9-2t

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Loans and Discounts	$5,533,969.70	Capital Stock	$1,000,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at Par)	602,500.00	Surplus and Net Profits	723,923.59
Bank Building	480,000.00	Circulation	543,300.00
Bonds and other Securities	336,600.00	Special Deposit Bonds	15,000.00
Liquidation Account, Southern National Bank	28,675.34	Acceptances	750,000.00
Customers' Liability Acceptances	750,000.00	Deposits	7,510,133.21
Cash and Due by Banks	2,810,611.76		
Total	$10,542,356.80	Total	$10,542,356.80

DEPOSITS:

Nov. 17th, 1914	$4,213,401.77
Nov. 17th, 1915	6,083,763.59
Nov. 17th, 1916	7,510,133.21

MENHADEN INDUSTRY IS BOOMING AT SOUTHPORT

Fishermen and Factories Making Big Money These Days

Catches are Heavy and the Prices High and Profits Large—Shrimp Being Caught in Small Quantities. Shipping Fish.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Southport, N. C., Dec. 8.—The past week has been another of those "big" weeks for the menhaden fishing boats and factories on the lower Cape Fear and Elizabeth rivers. Work at the factories has demanded a continuous running day and night to keep the way clear for the daily catches, for each boat has come in loaded to capacity.

The weather has, of course, been the all important factor with this success, just the right kind, say the men. And the cheering news comes from Beaufort, N. C., fishermen, that the stream of "pogies" is still coming around Hatteras in the same great numbers.

It is getting to be the Christmas season, when these menhaden, and in fact all the deep sea fishermen along this coast, feel the holiday spirit. When this comes on, it means quitting, and a pull for "home," and there is the reunion of families, that may have been separated for weeks and months, fishermen here going to Beaufort or Morehead, as their families may be, while those at other points, return to Southport. With a continuation of the present weather, which means the same run of menhaden and the same deep sea catches of trout, drum and sea bass, there is likely to be a delay in this holiday matter. But let the weather "break," and there will a rush for "home."

The profits of these menhaden factories, this season, is going to put them in the automobile and war munitions class, as money makers. On some of the fishing boats, crews are paid by the month. On others it is by the catch, so much per thousand. To mention this latter, it can be seen that the catch must be large when the low man gets for his weekly share fifty dollars. As for the factory people, their season's profits will take six figures to express, and it will be something besides a one, to head the six figures.

Shrimp are still being cought here in small quantities. The size is not up to early catches, therefore not so attractive for canning purposes, though there is a market for all that are brought in.

Almost daily shipments by express are going north from here, of trout and other deep sea fish. These fish are very fine and command a good price in the northern markets.

STRANGE SHIP IS BELIEVED TO BE A GERMAN RAIDER

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tonnage is 1,433, while that of the other ship is 1,336.

It was believed possible in shipping circles here tonight that the German steamer might have come out under her own name after having been disguised, as far as possible, to resemble the other Gamma.

London, Dec. 8.—The admiralty announced tonight that a report had been received that a disguised armed German vessel of mercantile type was sighted in the north Atlantic on December 4. No further information has been received concerning the vessel's whereabouts, the admiralty adds.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Charles H. Weighman, president of the Chicago Nationals, admitted today that he was after a manager to succeed Joseph B. Tinker. Weeghman said the man he hopes to sign is a bench manager.

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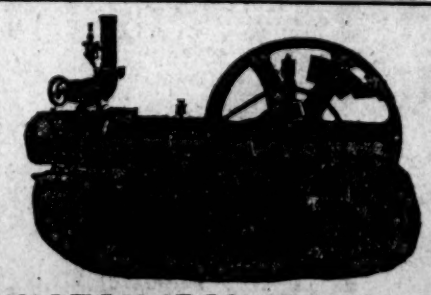

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